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Shomron taking over Southern Command as Shafir quits

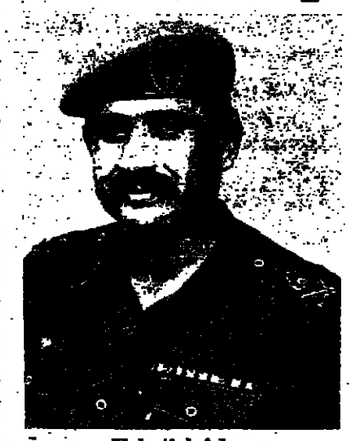
Yekutiel Adam returns to army as deputy C-o-S and OC Operations

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Military Correspondent

In a surprise move the army spokesman announced yesterday that Aluf Yekutiel Adam — who was removed from his post as OC Operations in August last year to make room for Aluf Raphael Eitan — will be brought back into the Israel Defence Forces as deputy chief of staff and OC Operations.

His appointment will take effect March 15, a full month before Mordechai Gur is due to hand over the army to Eitan, named as his successor by the cabinet on Sunday.

Another major appointment announced yesterday was that of Tat-Aluf Dan Shomron as OC Southern Command, effective Friday, February 3. He will replace Aluf Herzl Shafir who tendered his resignation from active duty yesterday, after he was passed over as Gur's successor. Shafir will be leaving for prolonged study at the army's expense.



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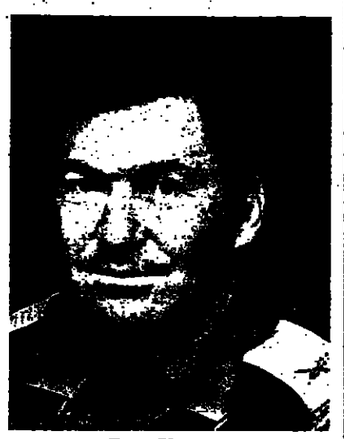

Dan Shomron

Adam's appointment came as a total surprise yesterday. He had left the army for study leave in the U.S. last August, in circumstances which at the time were described as "unpleasant." He was removed from his post at the head of "G" Branch unexpectedly and without any prior warning, to make way for Eitan, whom Defence Minister Ezer Weizman had decided to bring in from OC Northern Command to gain staff experience, and to try him out as a potential candidate for the top military position.

Adam is a veteran tank officer, and is being brought back into active service as deputy chief of staff as a backup for Eitan, who has served primarily with the paratroops and infantry. A similar move was made a few years ago when Aluf Yisrael Tal, also rich in Armoured Corps experience, was named deputy to Mordechai Gur, who had come in as chief of staff directly from the paratroops with little practical knowledge of tank warfare.

Adani's appointment could also be seen against Defence Minister Ezer Weizman's declared intention of reorganizing the IDF, establishing a separate land army which will have its own commander, just as the air force and navy have separate commanders. At present, the OC Operations is the coordinator between the various land forces — armour, infantry, artillery, engineering, signals, etc. — with overall responsibility vested in the chief of staff. The appointment of a deputy chief of staff, who is also OC Operations, establishes a level of responsibility equivalent to that which would be exercised by the commander of land forces foreseen by Weizman.

Shomron's appointment on the other hand, came as no surprise. He had been slated well in advance as Shafir's most probable successor. His promotion, however, came a year earlier than expected in light of Shafir's resignation.

Famous for having led the Entebbe rescue operation 18 months ago, Shomron has long been considered one of the IDF's "superstars." He was named chief infantry and paratroop officer at the age of 37, three years ago.

What did come as somewhat of a surprise, however, was the speed with which Shafir decided to take his leave. He had apparently decided to make the break quickly to avoid any "misunderstandings."

Shafir was reported to have been extremely hurt that he was passed over for the top job, having more seniority and what he thought was more experience than Eitan.

Yekutiel Adam was born in 1927, in Tel Aviv. He was active in the Hagana before the establishment of the state, and joined the IDF immediately after.

By the time of the 1967 Six Day War, Adam had advanced to the position of brigade commander, leading his brigade in the capture of Umm Katef in Sinai. Shortly after, he was appointed commander of Golani, and served in that position throughout the 1969-70 War of Attrition.

Adam was then appointed OC Northern Command, a post which he filled for two years before being "loaned out" to the Prime Minister's Office. He returned to the army when the 1973 Yom Kippur War broke out.

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'Carter plotting against Ethiopia'

LONDON (Reuter). — Ethiopia's Marxist leader, Lieutenant Colonel Mengistu Haile Mariam, yesterday accused U.S. President Jimmy Carter of coordinating an international plot to build up Somalia's arms and put the Horn of Africa "under anti-Ethiopian forces."

In a nationwide broadcast over Addis Ababa Radio, Mengistu said plans had been drawn up to "assist Somalia's naked and unjust invasion" of Ethiopian ferritory.

If the invasion fails, he said, "Iranian forces will directly intervene and fight alongside Somali forces."

In the broadcast, monitored in London, Mengistu listed the countries involved in the alleged plot as the U.S., Iran, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, West Germany and Egypt.

He said the purpose of Carter's recent trip to the Middle East had been to coordinate the plot. "The president has tried to present Ethiopia, the country which has been invaded, as the invader — and Somalia, the invading country, as the peace-seeker," he charged.

In his broadcast, Mengistu said the rulers of Iran and Saudi Arabia had told Carter during his recent tour that they had decided to back the Somalis with money and guns.

Cuban artillery private Carlos Orlando, 20, stands with two Somali soldiers in the Ethiopian village of Tug Wajale in the Ogaden desert where he was captured last week. (UPI telephoto)

House-to-house hunt for killers of bus driver

Jerusalem Post Staff

Police and soldiers sealed off several villages in the West Bank yesterday and searched house-to-house for the killers of Mordechai Yekuel, a Dan bus driver.

"We sealed off three or four villages, told the residents to stay in their houses, and interrogated hundreds of people," a military spokesman said. "So far, we have arrested no one, but we believe the murder was by terrorists."

Yekuel, 27, of Ramat Gan, was stabbed five times in the back and stomach after transporting workers to the Ramallah district on Sunday afternoon. He died on the way to hospital.

Hundreds of persons attended the funeral yesterday. Among the many wreaths put on Yekuel's grave were those from Jewish settlements in Samaria and from the Dan and Egged bus cooperatives.

All Dan and Egged buses halted for one minute at 1:30 yesterday in his honour and travelled with their headlights on until 2 p.m.

The Dan bus cooperative is continuing its service of transporting workers from Judea, Samaria and Gaza to work in Israel, but is demanding that their drivers be protected. Egged is also continuing its service to these workers, because, as the Egged spokesman explained, this service is part of their duty.

Soviets said breeding 'super-lethal' viruses

BRUSSELS (Reuter). — The Soviet Union is believed to be breeding new strains of killer viruses and microbes in heavily guarded biological warfare factories, western intelligence sources said yesterday.

They said American spy satellites have photographed several establishments near Moscow and in the western Soviet Union which intelligence analysts have concluded are biological research and production centres.

The photographs show heavily guarded complexes with equipment necessary to grow biological agents in cultures. Railroad lines containing specially designed tanker wagons lead to the complexes.

The sources said western intelligence services believe the Russians are working on refining and making more lethal microbes and viruses which cause the worst diseases known to man — plague, anthrax, tuberculosis, smallpox, yellow fever and diphtheria.

More serious, western scientific experts who advise NATO's military authorities have reason to suspect that the Russians are adopting three

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U.S.: Reply this week on planes

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — President Jimmy Carter said yesterday he would decide "later this week" whether to approve pending Israeli, Egyptian and Saudi requests for sophisticated warplanes, after receiving a recommendation on the matter from the National Security Council.

Speaking at a White House news conference, he explained that Congress will have a total of 50 days to consider the sales.

Israel is seeking 150 F-16 fighters and 25 F-15s. Egypt wants an unspecified number of F-5Es, and Saudi Arabia wants 60 F-15s. The president gave no hint of his ultimate recommendations on these requests.

By noting that the F-5E was used "extensively around the world for export purposes primarily," the president appeared to suggest that he was leaning in favour of the request. Both the F-15 and F-16 aircraft are considerably more sophisticated than the F-5E.

Carter also said yesterday that Prime Minister Begin and Foreign Minister Dayan had promised him that Israel would not authorize new civilian settlements in the occupied territories, but would merely expand existing settlements "as much as possible within the aegis of the military."

The president also noted that Israel has not authorized the new settlement of Shilo on the West Bank.

Referring to his discussions last year with Begin and Sadat, the president said, "My understanding of their commitment was that no new settlements would be authorized by the government. Any increase in settlers would be an expansion of existing settlements, as much as possible within the aegis of the military."

Carter once again called Israeli

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Begin to Geneva soon to meet fund-raisers

Jerusalem Post Staff

Prime Minister Begin will visit Geneva in the second week of February to attend a meeting there of fund-raisers from all Western European countries. The premier's spokesman, Dan Pattir, confirmed a JTA report to this effect late last night.

Pattir said that Begin would fly straight to Geneva, and come straight back after the session with the fund-raisers, indicating that no political meetings have been arranged for the premier in Europe.

His host in Geneva will be Nessim Gaon, the philanthropist and Sephardi leader.

Knesset draft would give judges big wage hike

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

Judges are to receive considerable wage increases, according to a recommendation by the Knesset subcommittee on wages.

The proposal adopted secretly yesterday calls for giving magistrates a gross monthly pay of IL16,500, compared with about IL12,000 today. A district court judge would receive IL21,500, compared with about IL18,500 today. Supreme Court judges who now gross about IL15,600 a month would receive IL28,500, the proposal says.

The recommendation, which was reportedly worked out with the judges, will now come before the Knesset Finance Committee.

A senior member of the subcommittee told *The Jerusalem Post* the increases are not as great as they appear because they will replace fictitious allowances the judges have been receiving, such as a travel allowance.

Headlights, tires will be cheaper as tax drops

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The purchase tax on car headlights and tires will be reduced within a few days, cutting the price of headlights by 15 per cent and the price of tires by 20 per cent, *The Jerusalem Post* learned yesterday.

An interministerial committee studied the subject and recommended two weeks ago that the purchase tax be eliminated. However, the treasury said that would cost IL90m. a year, and funds are lacking. It agreed to a compromise with the Transport Ministry — cutting the tax on headlights from 45 to 10 and the tax on tires from 25 to 10 per cent.

Fourfold leap in U.S. trade deficit

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. yesterday reported a record foreign-trade deficit of $26.7b. for 1977 — more than four times greater than its $5.9b. trade deficit for the preceding year.

Carter administration officials blamed the deficit primarily on a 20 per cent increase in imports of foreign oil. The U.S. total oil import bill was $42.1b. compared with $32.2b. in 1976.

The worst previous U.S. trade deficit was $6.4b., in 1972.

The U.S. imported a total of nearly 8.2 billion barrels of oil and oil products during the year, up from 2.6 billion barrels in 1976.

U.S. imports of all goods increased much faster during 1977 than exports, although both increased. Imports rose 22 per cent to a total of $147b., while exports advanced 5 per cent to $120b.

Officials say they expect the U.S. trade deficit to be just about as bad in 1978, but probably no worse, since oil imports are not expected to exceed the 1977 totals.

Military team to Cairo today to resume talks

Weizman may offer to swap territory

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Post Military Correspondent

Defence Minister Ezer Weizman leaves for Cairo this morning for the second round of military discussions, with the specific aim of getting the Egyptians to modify their position of not giving up "one inch of the Sinai."

A source close to the minister indicated to *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that if Egypt is found to be forthcoming on this issue, "Israel will be most generous in return."

Weizman's efforts, *The Post* was told, could be described as a "last-ditch effort" to get the Egyptians to modify their total-sovereignty-over-all-territory stance — a position which precludes any chance of a Sinai agreement.

It is thought here that Weizman will try to re-float the concept of an exchange of territory — an idea which has been rejected out of hand by the Egyptians, and by some key cabinet members in Israel, but which is still considered by many as the best solution to the Sinai impasse. Any exchange would not be *quid pro quo* but on a proportional basis, and would in essence be parts of the central Negev in exchange for the Rafiah region. No official confirmation could be had last night that this will indeed be brought up by Weizman, but the report was not denied.

The Post understands that Weizman, who will be accompanied by his wife and son on this trip at the express invitation of the Egyptians, has no scheduled meeting with President Anwar Sadat, and no message for the president from Premier Begin.

Weizman is also understood to be carrying no hard proposals with him, but rather he intends the discussions this time to serve as "feelers" aimed at regenerating the peace process which stalled after President Sadat unilaterally recalled his political delegation from Jerusalem two weeks ago.

The Israeli delegation to the military talks — which includes OC Planning Adevision Aluf Avraham Tamir, OC Intelligence Aluf Shlomo Gazit, and Moshe Sasson of the Foreign Ministry — will remain in Cairo until late Thursday or Friday morning.

The delegation will be taking off from Ben-Gurion Airport aboard an air force jet at 10 a.m., but the talks are not expected to start in Cairo until late this afternoon. Once again the venue for the conference will be the Tahra Palace in the Heliopolis quarter of Cairo. The Israeli delegation will enjoy princely quarters on the second floor, and the Egyptian delegation, under War Minister Mohammed Abdul-Ghani Gamasy, will stay on the first floor.

While the military talks have no definitive agenda as yet, they are considered crucial. Since they fall a few days before President Sadat's visit to Morocco, the U.S. and Europe they could colour the entire future of the negotiations between Israel and Egypt.

The peace process is currently at its lowest ebb since President Sadat's visit to Jerusalem last November. While an intensive behind-the-scenes effort to prevent a collapse has been continuing through the good offices of the Americans, international attention will be focused on any progress, or lack of progress, at the military talks.

These talks will, in all probability, be the barometer by which Israel-Egyptian relations will be measured, and their progress will no doubt help determine the future of the political talks which have still to resume in Jerusalem.

There are many open issues yet to be discussed at the Cairo conference. The first session of the military talks two weeks ago was devoted almost entirely to statements of each side's position with no progress at all being made on substantive issues.

The issues will probably be evaded again — neither side at this stage is prepared to commit itself to any hard concessions before the overall situation is clarified.

It was not clear last night whether Weizman's wife Reuma and their son Shaul, a war invalid, will be living with the official delegation. "All we know is that the Egyptians invited them and that a programme has been worked out for them," a Defence Ministry source said yesterday.

Atherton in Egypt with compromise

Jerusalem Post Staff

U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Alfred Atherton will open negotiations this morning with Egyptian officials over the possible wrap-up of a "declaration of principles" which would permit resumption of talks in the Israel-Egypt political committee.

Atherton arrived in Cairo last night from Jerusalem where he spent the past 10 days negotiating a compromise draft declaration of principles designed to govern a comprehensive Middle East settlement.

The Cairo daily "Al-Gomhouriya" said that Atherton was expected to convey to Egypt a new draft declaration amounting to a compromise between the original rival documents Egypt and Israel exchanged at the start of the Jerusalem political talks which Egypt left abruptly on January 18. The daily said Israel had agreed to the new version.

Much of the compromise draft declaration was understood to centre on American suggestions for overcoming differences between Egypt and Israel on two basic issues — the political future of the Palestinian Arabs and the territories lost by the Arabs to Israel in the 1967 war.

On the Palestinian issue, the American formula represents a compromise between Egypt's demand for full, outright self-determination for the Palestinian Arabs and Israel's offer for limited self-rule with Israeli military presence in the West Bank and Gaza. The key words in the U.S. guidelines say the Palestinians should "participate in determining their future" in collaboration with other parties, chiefly Israel and Jordan. It was not clear by last night whether the U.S. convinced Israel to accept the provision on the Palestinian "legitimate rights" with which Jerusalem took issue in the past.

On the territorial issue, the American formula was reported to have called for Israeli withdrawal "on all fronts" in accordance with UN Security Council Resolution 242 — which has served as the guidelines for an overall settlement.

The operative part of the resolution stipulates "withdrawal from territories" — a phrase which Israel interprets as a partial pullback from certain territories but not all. A provision in the preamble, however, speaks of the "inadmissibility" of acquisition of territory by force — a phrase which Egypt sees to mean total withdrawal.

Meanwhile, reports from Cairo said that the Egyptians viewed the negotiations with Atherton as an important prelude to both the military talks resuming this evening and to the talks President Sadat will conduct with U.S. President Jimmy Carter at Camp David, Maryland, over the weekend.

Atherton is scheduled to confer this morning with Egyptian Foreign Minister Mohammed Ibrahim Kamel and will meet with Sadat before flying to Washington on Thursday.

Atherton said on arrival in Cairo that he was carrying some new Israeli "ideas" for advancing the peace process. But Foreign Minister Kamel has given little indication that he expects a breakthrough in the near future. Kamel said over the weekend that there was still a big gap between Egypt and Israel over fundamental issues. He also said that current deliberations would "take some time because such problems cannot be solved within days..."

Our diplomatic correspondent adds:

In Jerusalem yesterday morning, Atherton had a final meeting with Foreign Minister Dayan and his aides to discuss the Israel position on the "declaration of principles." Dayan said afterwards he expected a response from Egypt in the days ahead, and other Israeli sources were quoted as saying that Israel had "bent over backwards" to accommodate Egyptian demands on the key Palestinian clause in the declaration.

Atherton said it was "premature" to assess whether Jordan was likely to join the peace process soon.

At the airport he explained that his mission might continue after Sadat's visit to Washington — depending on developments in the days ahead and on the desire of the parties. Atherton will be going to Washington ahead of Sadat, and will take part in the talks with him there.

Egyptian envoy returns to Baghdad

BEIRUT. — The Iraqi government has agreed to the re-opening of the Egyptian consulate in Baghdad, one month after the break of diplomatic relations between the two countries, the Egyptian Middle East News Agency reported from the Iraqi capital yesterday.

Egypt broke off diplomatic relations with Iraq and a number of Arab countries in retaliation for Arab criticism of President Anwar Sadat's peace overtures and visit to Jerusalem.

An Egyptian envoy, Amin Yusri, will arrive in the Iraqi capital on Thursday to head an "Egyptian interests section" following an Iraqi government decision to allow the re-opening of the Egyptian consulate and trade and cultural missions, the agency said.

Iraq has led the Arab radical camp and the Palestinian "rejection front" in bitterly attacking Sadat's policies and has accused the Egyptian leader of "capitulationism and surrender to the Zionist enemy."

Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam flew to Algiers yesterday to help prepare for an anti-Sadat summit that is scheduled to begin on Thursday in the Algerian capital. The summit will bring together the heads of state of those Arab countries that formed a "front of rejection and steadfastness" in Tripoli early last month to counter Sadat's peace overtures with Israel. (UPI, AP)

Begin raps coalition 'disobedience'

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

Prime Minister Menahem Begin yesterday criticized coalition Knesset members for failing to follow instructions.

The criticism, levelled at a closed meeting of the executive of the Likud Knesset faction, followed two government defeats in the Knesset.

Begin said that such things are not done in a proper faction and in democratic life.

He also criticized Geula Cohen and Moshe Shamir for opposing the government's peace plan. The Likud had given its members freedom to vote on the government's peace plan when it came before the Knesset, Begin acknowledged, but if they want to vote against faction instructions in the future they must receive prior permission, he said.

Cohen replied that she will ask permission; but "if I don't get it — I'll vote according to my conscience."

"This is impossible," the Prime Minister retorted.

The executive later decided to call all coalition Knesset members for a meeting with Begin next Monday to discuss their Knesset work.

They also decided that Minister without Portfolio Moshe Nissim will coordinate the cabinet and the coalition factions. Coalition members in each Knesset committee will elect someone to coordinate moves so that one committee will not conflict with another, *The Jerusalem Post* also learned.

In another development, the "Three "s" group in the Knesset yesterday called for post-posing the departure of the military committee to the talks in Cairo and asked for urgent Knesset debates on the proposed "declaration of principles" and the murder of a Dan bus driver in Samaria on Sunday.

The group, which is considered the hawkish opposition within the coalition, stresses the need for Israeli sovereignty, security and settlements in the administered territories.

Satellite wreckage found, but not nuclear payload

EDMONTON, Alberta. — Searchers have found parts of an atom-powered Soviet satellite which plunged out of orbit over northern Canada last week, a U.S. scientist announced yesterday.

But the twisted pieces of metal found so far do not include the dangerous nuclear core of the spacecraft's reactor, scientist Mahlon Gates told reporters here.

Gates, who heads scores of U.S. experts taking part in the hunt in Canada's Northwest Territories, said two radiation sources definitely from the satellite's reactor have been detected by search planes, but have not yet been approached on the ground.

Scientists showed reporters photographs of the satellite debris, which gouged a three-metre-wide crater in the ice of a frozen river.

The pictures showed several pieces of twisted, perforated tubular metal protruding from the crater, which was about one metre deep.

"The object is clearly not from the reactor core itself," Gates said.

The nuclear-powered satellite, Cosmos 954, plunged into the atmosphere over northern Canada last Tuesday. A huge search has been taking place to determine whether it reached the ground or was burned up in space.

The debris was discovered by a group of wildlife experts near Wardens Grove, a remote weather outpost 400 km. southwest of Baker Lake.

The party were later evacuated and two, including one man who had touched the wreckage with his gloved hand, were yesterday undergoing radiation tests in hospital.

But U.S. and Canadian scientists reported that there was no excessive radiation at the site. (Reuter, AP)

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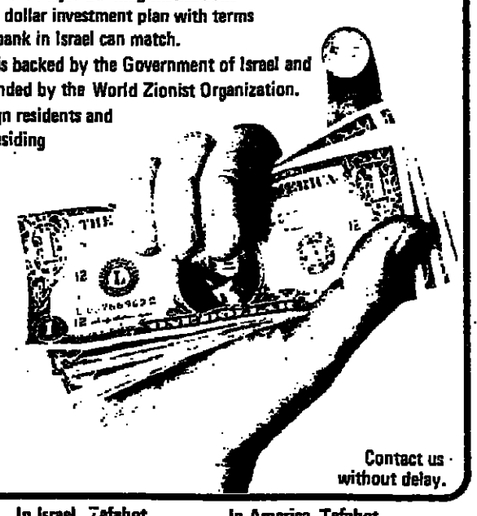

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Safed	54	7—13	15
Haifa Port	42	11—20	20
Tiberias	41	10—23	23
Nazareth	46	5—18	19
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Shomron	25	10—19	20
Tel Aviv	60	8—15	19
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Jericho	32	7—26	26
Gaza	79	8—17	18
Beersheba	13	4—24	25
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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received Dr. Ulrich Dubber, member of the Bundestag of West Germany, and Fernando Castillo, brother of the president of the Guatemalan Congress.

The Senate of Bar-Ilan University voted Friday to award an honorary doctor of philosophy degree next month to Prime Minister Menahem Begin, in recognition of his service to the State of Israel and to the Jewish people.

The Daily Newspaper Editors Committee elected a new praesidium at its meeting in Tel Aviv on Sunday, comprising Herzl Rosenblum ("Yediot Aharonot"), Marek Gefen ("Al Hamishmar"), and Ari Rath (*The Jerusalem Post*). It also appointed a new nine-man committee on censorship.

The Foreign Press Association yesterday elected its new officers: Gideon Berli, German Press Agency, chairman; Donald Neff, "Time" magazine, vice-chairman; Peter Allen-Frost, Argus newspapers, secretary; Lazar Blanco, UP-ITN, treasurer; and Teddy Levite, "Daily Mirror" (London); Augustine Zycher, "The Age" (Australia); Michael Elkins, the BBC; Jay Bushinsky, "The Chicago Daily News"; and Shabtai Tal, "Stern" magazine (West Germany).

ARRIVALS

Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, from a four-day visit as guest of the Jewish community of Lyons, France.

Faye Schenk, co-chairman of Keren Hayesod-United Israel Appeal.

Neil Norry, UJA National Chairman, leading the UJA-Israel Today No. 4 mission.

Elaine Winik, associate vice-president, American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, and head of the National UJA Women's Division.

Roslyn Brecher, national chairman, Hadassah Israel Education Services, on Hadassah business and to participate in the Zionist Congress.

Likud MK wants Religious Affairs budget cut 10%

Post Political Reporter

MK Yigal Cohen-Orgad (Likud) yesterday recommended a 10 per cent cut in the Ministry for Religious Affairs budget.

Speaking at a meeting of the Knesset Finance Committee, Cohen-Orgad argued that the proposed budget of IL406m. is an 8 per cent increase in real terms over last year's budget.

He complained that the budget calls for doubling the outlay for the upkeep of yeshiva students, building new synagogues and administrative costs of the chief rabbinate. But he recommended increasing the amount in the budget for fostering religious customs, which is designed for establishing closer contact between secular and orthodox Jews.

Shimron report to be presented by February 15

The Shimron Committee's report on organized crime will be presented to the Interior Minister "no later than February 15," the committee's chairman, Erwin Shimron, said last night.

He said he and the members of his committee will be discussing the report with Police Inspector-General Haim Tabori today, to make last-minute corrections to the draft before it is published.

Shimron claimed that "80 per cent" of the material cited in Israel TV's summary of the report last night "was not written by us." He noted, however, that while the television report had got most of its details wrong, it had adequately captured the general drift of the committee's findings.

This was that there *is* organized crime in Israel, and that it extends into fields as diverse as the diamond, building, drug, hotel and entertainment industries. (Itim)

A LIBRARY in Bnei Yehuda, on the southern Golan Heights, was yesterday named in honour of the late chief of staff, David (Dado) Elazar.

Coalition weathers no-confidence vote

Post Knesset Reporter

The coalition defeated an Alignment no-confidence motion in the Knesset yesterday by a vote of 67-38.

Voting with the Alignment were the Democratic Front, Shelli, and two single-member factions: Poalei Agudat Yisrael and the Citizens Rights Movement. Samuel Flatto Sharon voted with the coalition.

The Alignment motion was presented by Adi Amorai, who called it "a reaction to the lack of clarity, the carelessness, and the negligence that characterized the process of preparing the budget, and the contempt for the Knesset when the budget was submitted for its approval."

By the latter clause, he was referring to the fact that whereas the draft budget as tabled in the Knesset totalled IL182 billion, Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich a week later informed the Knesset that the government had decided to reduce it to IL179b. However, the Knesset was not informed which budget items were to be cut by a total of IL3b.

The government's reply was delivered not by Ehrlich, who was present in the House, but by Minister without Portfolio Moshe Nissim, making his first Knesset speech as a cabinet member.

The Alignment benches were in a carnival mood, and Nissim found it difficult to utter two consecutive sentences without being heckled.

He said that the vote on the budget had been tantamount to a confidence vote in the government, and that the declared reason for submitting a no-confidence motion on the subject of the budget less than a week after the budget vote was hardly convincing.

The Alignment, Nissim said, was on very shaky ground when it cried "contempt of the Knesset." This was the first time in 15 years that the government had tabled the draft budget on time. And instead of being blamed for having trimmed the total by IL3b. even before the first reading began, the government should be praised, he said.

There were recurrent shouts of "What is the amount of the budget?" but most of the hecklers found it difficult to keep a straight face after unburdening themselves of their interjections.

The House Committee had decided to allot each faction seven minutes in which to state its position on the no-confidence motion.

Former Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi (Alignment) led off with an attack on the government's new economic policy. The NEP, he said, had intensified inflation ("a regressive tax"), had made exports less profitable, and had caused prices to skyrocket.

The heckling resumed when coalition chairman Haim Corfu spoke. Not once in the last 15 years did a Labour government manage with a single budget in a given tax year, he said. There was always a supplementary budget in the course of the year, and in five of the last 15 years there were two supplementary budgets. He moved that the no-confidence motion be rejected "with contempt." (Laughter even from the Likud benches.)

Stef Wertheimer (Democratic Movement for Change) suffered no discrimination: the Alignment heckled him too — especially when he spoke about the legacy that Ehrlich had inherited from the Alignment government. Wertheimer said that if the government hoped to get the economy out of the muck, it would have to improve the profitability of production and export, reduce its bureaucracy by 10,000 employees, and "call on the nation to work full hours."

Ellezer Avtabi (National Religious Party) said it had been frivolous of the Alignment to submit a no-confidence motion on a technical point. No-confidence motions were designed for more serious stuff, he said.

MKs to vote on their own immunity

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

Knesset members will decide next week in principle whether to limit their own immunity.

Amnon Rubinstein of the Democratic Movement for Change yesterday proposed amending the Knesset Law (1977) so that members will not be able to claim immunity when faced with civil suits for libel over statements made outside the Knesset.

He also suggested that members be liable for criminal and civil prosecution for traffic violations. Furthermore, he said, an MK who is out of the country for more than a month while the Knesset is in session should not receive a salary unless he is abroad on behalf of the Knesset or on a mission the Knesset speaker considers "national."

Rubinstein noted that there have been many complaints by the public that Knesset members enjoy too much immunity.

The coalition executive discussed Rubinstein's proposal yesterday and decided to bring it to the plenary next week for a preliminary reading.

The executive agreed to waive coalition discipline.

Supreme Court upholds six-year sentence on Dutch woman terrorist

The Supreme Court yesterday turned down an appeal against the severity of her sentence by Ludvinna Janssen, the Dutch woman sentenced to six years for entering Israel on a mission for the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

The court also rejected the appeal filed by the state attorney against Janssen's acquittal on a charge of maintaining contact with a "foreign agent."

In rejecting the first appeal, filed by Janssen's counsel Felicia Langer, who pleaded "clemency," the court ruled that "in sentencing her to only six years in prison, the Tel Aviv District Court judges had already shown clemency towards Janssen."

As for the state attorney's appeal, the court upheld the District Court's interpretation of the legal definition of "foreign agent" as someone "acting for or on behalf of a foreign state." The PFLP agent whom Janssen had contacted in South Yemen was clearly not working on behalf of that state, and the terrorist organization which he represented could clearly not be considered a "state," the court ruled.

The court reiterated, however, the District Court's call for an amendment to the law that would enable persons working for or on behalf of bodies other than established governments to be included under the "foreign agent" definition. "The agents working for hostile organizations are as dangerous as those working for foreign states — if not more dangerous," the court concluded.

Janssen, who was arrested on her arrival at Ben-Gurion Airport in September 1976, was convicted on two other charges — endangering the security of the state and working in the service of a hostile organization. After receiving training in the use of weapons and explosives at a camp in South Yemen, she was sent to Israel by the PFLP to compile information on targets for future terror attacks. (Itim)

Cancer research centre named for Humphrey

The Hebrew University centre for experimental medicine and cancer research is to be named in memory of Senator Hubert H. Humphrey, who died a fortnight ago. This action was made public by Samuel Rothberg of Peoria, Illinois, chairman of the international board of governors.

The Minnesota senator and former U.S. vice-president had approved the linking of his name with the centre only a few days before his death, which was caused by cancer.

Prime Minister Menahem Begin has warmly endorsed the project, and announced that the government will make a grant of $1m. to the Humphrey Centre.

Children of fallen to get higher grants

Children of fallen soldiers are now entitled to IL4,000 at bar-mitzva and IL40,000 at marriage, according to the law for compensation and rehabilitation.

The Knesset Labour and Social Affairs committee made the announcement yesterday after a debate on the subject. The grants have been raised from IL2,500 and IL30,000 respectively. The increase applies for the next three months, during which time the committee will discuss a proposal from the defence minister on linking grants to the C-o-L index or the national average wage.

A PURSE-SNATCHER got away with IL6,000 in cash and valuables after knocking down Rahel Eisenberg, 68, as she was walking in Jerusalem's Mea Shearim quarter yesterday.

Letters of support from 3,000 students

Post Political Reporter

The Prime Minister's Office has received some 3,000 letters from students opposing the 80 secondary school students who called for withdrawal to the 1967 boundaries and recognition of a Palestinian state, Prime Minister Menahem Begin disclosed yesterday.

Begin told the executive of the Likud Knesset faction yesterday that there were fewer than 80 signatures on the letter calling for withdrawal. The 3,000 letters support the government's policy, he reported.

Explosive found at Jacob's Well church

NABLUS (Itim). — Border police found an explosive charge yesterday near the Church of Jacob's Well, south of here. Police exploded the device in an empty lot and are continuing their investigation.

High mass at feast of Salesian Order

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — The Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, Jacob Joseph Beltritti, officiated yesterday at a high mass in the Salesian Basilica of Joseph Adolescent.

The service, which marked the Feast of St. John Don Bosco, patron saint of the Salesian Order, was attended by Mayor Tewfik Zayyad M.K., leading clergymen and some 300 visitors from various parts of the country.

Chinese start talks for EEC accord

BRUSSELS (UPI). — Chinese and European Common Market negotiators have begun a week of talks aimed at establishing a five-year trade agreement — the first of its kind between a Communist country and the Community.

Officials at the Common Market Commission said yesterday they hope the agreement will promote and intensify trade relations and open up new markets.

The Chinese have made it clear that Peking wants trade with Europe and promotion of European unity, as a counter to Soviet influence.

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Sgan-Nitzav Zvi Ben-Eliahu, head of the Jerusalem police district, shows Mayor Teddy Kollek around the exhibition of police art which opened at Beit Ha'am yesterday. The large piece in the dark frame is Albert Dadon's "Suspicious Objects." The show closes at the end of the week. (Weiss)

Power struggle over absorption not settled

By AARON SITTNER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

The dispute over hegemony in the areas of immigration and absorption will remain unresolved until late next month, the government-Jewish Agency coordinating committee decided yesterday.

In the meantime, both the cabinet and the Jewish Agency Executive will re-examine the Horev Committee report — which recommended abolition of the Ministry of Immigrant Absorption — possibly with an eye to reaching some kind of compromise in the power struggle.

Since publication of the report in 1976, the agency's Immigration Department and the ministry have each claimed that the other is superfluous.

The committee, after hearing arguments from both sides, and from Amos Horev himself, decided to delay its final decision on whether the ministry should continue in existence.

Meanwhile, tension could be felt at the ministry yesterday, with workers claiming their job of serving immigrants has become difficult with the uncertainty over the future of the ministry.

In an interview with *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday, Absorption Minister David Levy again warned against eliminating the ministry. He said: "We would just revert to the 1950s, when getting settled in Israel meant a grand runaround from one office to another, until many immigrants finally became so disgusted with the bureaucracy that they gave up and left."

According to Levy, facilitation in obtaining mortgages is an example of the ministry's success. "It used to take weeks and even months of nerve-racking work by a newcomer to get his mortgage," he explained. "All the applicant has to do now is fill out a single form. Within three or four days, everything is ready."

Levy favours establishment of an "authority to encouraging aliya" which would be under joint auspices of the government and the Jewish Agency, and would operate only abroad.

"But from the day an immigrant sets foot on the soil of Israel, all responsibility for his absorption should be vested in the government, through its Ministry of Immigrant Absorption," he asserted.

Referring to his stopover in Vienna and conversations with Soviet Jewish emigrants, Levy said he was appalled, not only by the rate of "desertion" among Jews supposedly heading for Israel, but also by their age. "Most of those dropouts are young people — just the type we need. Among the Soviet Jews who actually continue on to Israel are the aged and infirm."

Levy attributed this to inadequate aliya propaganda being circulated among Jews in the Soviet Union, where life in Israel was portrayed as "saturated with deprivation, hunger and insecurity, with no satisfactions or a feeling of Zionist fulfilment whatsoever."

Seamen to intensify strike as court drops injunctions

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLEB, Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The seamen's unions, fortified by the shipping companies' failure to get injunctions halting their strike, last night threatened to "force a quick decision" by intensifying it.

This followed the local labour court's rejection of the companies' request for a temporary injunction against the officers union, and cancellation of the injunction against the ratings union which it had issued last week.

Earlier, the companies had rejected a labour court compromise proposal for arbitration of the strike.

The companies, though obviously hurt by their court failure, still insist that more important than settling the present strike is the providing for safeguards to prevent future strikes, which have broken out at the rate of a dozen a year in the shipping industry.

The Haifa District Labour Court, after day-long deliberations, ruled that it had not found "sincere willingness" for negotiations on the companies' behalf, and therefore refused the injunctions.

The companies' attorney then withdrew the main part of their application — for a declaratory judgment ruling the strike illegal — thus making the strike legal from the layman's point of view.

The seamen erupted into a demonstration of joy in the crowded courthouse. Freed from the stain of illegality, they vowed to bring the strike to a head in a matter of days, and to prevent the companies from starving them out by drawing the strike out.

However, the two unions later "invited" the companies to resume negotiations today on the 1976-77 pay demands over which the strike broke out. If the companies fail to respond, they will decide on additional steps to intensify the strike and force a decision, the unions said.

Disabled smash windows in protest over benefits

Jerusalem Post Staff

About 100 disabled people, mostly in wheelchairs, demonstrated violently yesterday outside the Finance Ministry for the second day running, smashing glass doors and windows with their crutches and wrecking the phone exchange for several hours yesterday morning.

The demonstrators are demanding equalization of their government benefits with those of war invalids.

Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich and Labour and Social Affairs Minister Israel Katz held an urgent meeting about this on Sunday and are due to present their conclusions in two weeks.

A spokesman for the demonstrators, Eliahu Yitzhak, said yesterday that his organization was out to fight discrimination of people disabled in civilian life relative to those disabled in the army. The source of a person's disability, he argued, is irrelevant. If a person has an 80 or 100 per cent disability, he has the same needs as a disabled veteran, Yitzhak said.

Disabled war veterans are entitled to a free car, generous housing help and a large pension. Like other disabled people they do not pay income tax. Other disabled are entitled to a variety of allowances, depending on whether their handicap is the result of a work accident or illness.

One 100 per cent disabled polio victim who gets no other grant apart from a IL1,500-a-month car allowance said that, in addition to the inequality and discrimination against low wage-earners, there is a serious problem of bureaucracy. Army veterans get allowances and services directly from the Defence Ministry, whereas the civilian disabled person has to go from office to office at both the Health Ministry and the National Insurance Institute to get his benefits.

The Health Ministry spokesman said on Sunday that the ministry is working on a complete revision of the rules by which the disabled are granted discounts and exemptions in customs duties on vehicles, the ministry spokesman said this week. She did not say whether the new rules would be more liberal or more stringent.

The announcement came after a group of work-accident victims issued a protest against what they termed unfair rulings regarding tax benefits on cars by Health Ministry committees on disability.

Meanwhile, the fact that parents of brain-damaged children have to pay full customs duty on the typewriters that permit their children to communicate was one of the matters brought up on Sunday at the first meeting of the National Council of Voluntary Organizations.

The group, which met at the Knesset under the chairmanship of MK David Glass, was objecting that parents of the handicapped have to pay heavy customs and value-added tax on vitally needed aids. They noted that a closed-circuit TV system to aid the partially blind, which sells for $2,000 in the U.S., has IL20,000 in duty added to it when it arrives in Israel.

The meeting was attended by representatives from the Akim organization for the retarded, the Ilan group for the handicapped, Alot (autism), Micha (deaf and dumb), Shema (deafness), Nitzan (learning disabilities) and the Centre for the Blind.

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Soccer refs vote today on return to league games

Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Referees Union will hold a general meeting today to vote on whether to return to the football fields this Saturday.

The referees cabled Ken Aston, doyen of international referees, and other leading refs abroad explaining the reasons for their strike last Saturday. The Israeli refs called on their colleagues abroad to reject the (Israel) Football Association invitation to referee league matches here.

Aharon Gaon, secretary of the Referees Union, yesterday said the refs' non-appearance at league games last Saturday was not a strike. "We are not paid employees of the FA," he said. "Despite anything the FA may say, our union is functioning in an orderly manner."

But the referees seem split over the issue. Last night it appeared that there was a majority in favour of going back to work.

Judge rules lightly on teacher's use of ruler

HAIFA (Itim). — A teacher at the Druse village of Daliat al-Carmel was let off by a magistrate here yesterday with a token fine for striking a child's hand with a ruler.

Judge Micha Lindenstraus said the child, in grade six, had disturbed the class throughout a lesson and no other means the teacher tried had served to quiet him. The teacher was sentenced to a IL50 fine or one day in prison.

Ben-Amitai: Herut choice as B'sheba Mayor

BEERSHEBA. — The director-general of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Yisrael Ben-Amitai, was chosen last night by a large majority as Herut's candidate for next fall's mayoral election here.

Ben-Amitai, who will now become the Likud candidate, was among the founders of the IDF Artillery Corps and a former Irgun Zvai Leumi fighter. He is a brother of Deputy Defence Minister Mordechai Zipori.

Adam returns

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as deputy OC Northern Comman[illegible]

He became a general in Febru[illegible] 1974, taking command of a divi[illegible] on the southern front. In August [illegible] year he became OC Southern C[illegible]nand, becoming OC Operations [illegible] March 1976. He held this post until [illegible] sudden removal in August 1977.

Dan Shomron was born in 1937 [illegible] Kibbutz Ashdot Ya'acov. He was [illegible]ducted into the paratroops in 1955, [illegible] took part in the Sinai Campaign [illegible] the Six Day War, when he c[illegible]manded the reconnaissance unit [illegible] first reached the northern sectio[illegible] the Suez Canal. He received a c[illegible]tion of valour for his part in [illegible] operation.

Shomron commanded a paratr[illegible] battalion for some time after the [illegible] war, before being advanced to an [illegible]portant post on the General Staff [illegible] 1971, he underwent retraining [illegible] took over an armoured briga[illegible] which he led in the fighting on [illegible] Egyptian front during the 1973 w[illegible]

In September 1974, Shomron [illegible] appointed chief paratroop and in[illegible]try officer. In what was perhaps [illegible] highlight of his career, he led the [illegible] rescue force which freed the Isr[illegible] hostages hijacked to Entebbe abo[illegible] an Air France airliner in July 1976 [illegible] August 1976, he received comman[illegible] an armoured division in Sinai.

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settlements in the territories ille[illegible] under the Geneva Conventions [illegible] an obstacle to the peace process. [illegible] said that the Geneva Conventi[illegible] governing occupying powers proh[illegible] the permanent transfer of civilian [illegible] occupied territories.

"I think the Israeli governm[illegible] has not authorized the Sh[illegible] settlement," he continued, "ot[illegible] than as an archaeological explo[illegible]tion project. I have not yet ha[illegible] from Prime Minister Begin direc[illegible] but I have had information that [illegible] is the policy of the Israeli gove[illegible]ment, that this is not an authori[illegible] settlement."

The president's reference to [illegible] Israeli commitment on n[illegible] settlements was believed to be [illegible] first time the U.S. had publicly m[illegible] this disclosure, which is bound to e[illegible]barrass the Begin government. L[illegible] week, Carter sent Begin a perso[illegible] message protesting the activities [illegible] Shilo.

In response to another questi[illegible] the president said that he did [illegible] have a "map or plan" for fi[illegible] Israeli borders in an overall set[illegible]ment. He said that the parties sho[illegible] accept the formulation of UN Sec[illegible]ty Council Resolution 242, which c[illegible] for a withdrawal from territories [illegible]cupied by Israel during the 1967 w[illegible] The Arab states interpret this [illegible] meaning "all territories," wh[illegible] Israel says it means only "a portio[illegible] of the territories, Carter said.

He repeated his desire to see [illegible] overall settlement resolve the thr[illegible] core issues of the conflict: fi[illegible] borders and security, a definition [illegible] peace, and the Palestinian questi[illegible]

"I have never tried to put forwa[illegible] in my own mind or to any of the M[illegible]die Eastern leaders a map and s[illegible] that this is the way the lines abou[illegible] be drawn," he said.

A BEERSHEBA resident who [illegible] visiting in Jaffa, Shlomo Wak[illegible] was attacked and beaten by [illegible] thugs as he left a party early yest[illegible] day morning.

Poor marks for Education Ministry

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Ministry of Education in both Tel Aviv and Jerusalem received low ratings from the Consumer Council in a survey to find out how fast telephone operators answer the phone, and how polite and helpful they are to the caller.

Nearly 200 public and private institutions were checked in the one-month project of the council, with high school students assisting. Each institution was called at least six times.

On a scale of 12, the Ministry of Education offices in Tel Aviv rat[illegible] 6.5, while the ministry in Jerusale[illegible] rated 6.

High scorers in the Tel Aviv ar[illegible] were Tadiran, Ampa and the ma[illegible] office of Bank Leumi, all receivi[illegible] 12. Thirty of 80 institutions check[illegible] were rated "good."

Top marks in the Jerusalem ar[illegible] went to the Ministry of Interior ar[illegible] the Bank of Israel. Twenty-five of [illegible] checked were rated "good," but t[illegible] Ministry of Religious Affairs got [illegible] and the Ministry of Labour 5.9.

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Security increased at Coenaculum as yeshiva and ministry trade charges

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Religious Affairs Ministry is erecting iron gates at all the entrances to the Coenaculum, traditional site of the Last Supper, on Jerusalem's Mt. Zion, in an effort to avoid a repetition of last week's break-in at the site, ministry director-general Yisrael Lippel told *The Jerusalem Post*. The ministry also bricked up the break-in.

The break-in was the latest in a series of clashes between the Diaspora Yeshiva, the ministry and the Lands Administration over the occupation of property on Mt. Zion. Lippel said that the ministry has also had to employ 24-hour watchmen in addition to the regular guard at the site.

Lippel, who earlier had called for an investigation into the activities of the yeshiva, said that the group has wrested control of the entire area except for the Tomb of David and the Coenaculum.

Meanwhile, a representative of the yeshiva, Rabbi Eliot Sherman, showed *The Post* a letter from Brother Teofilo Gori, secretary of the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land, in which the latter noted he had not accused the yeshiva of the break-in. Sherman himself did not deny the break-in, but complained that it had been "blown out of proportion" and that the yeshiva had "always" occupied the rooms in question.

Sherman also denied that one of the rooms broken into was that known as the "Room of the Holy Spirit" in which a yearly Christian ecumenical service takes place. Gori emphatically affirmed to *The Post* that the room is the "Room of the Holy Spirit."

The yeshiva representative also told *The Post* that the Israel Interfaith Council, the American Jewish Committee and the American Institute of Holyland Studies are all mediating in the dispute. The Interfaith Council and the American Institute, however, subsequently denied that they had any hand in the matter. The director of the American Jewish Committee was unavailable for comment yesterday.

Sherman also told *The Post* that the yeshiva stands to lose a $3.6m. donation because of the news item in Fridays's paper reporting the break-in. He said that the yeshiva had informed Lippel that it considers him "the boss of Mt. Zion," but added that for some reason Lippel had a personal grudge against the institution.

Lippel confirmed that the yeshiva had told him it would accept his rulings; but he added that the day after it did so, it broke in again. When he attempted to restrain them, Lippel said, the yeshiva accused him of carrying a grudge.

Meanwhile, it was learned that the Israel Lands Administration, which has long tried to restrain the yeshiva's activities on Mt. Zion, is apparently giving in and is in the process of preparing a protected-tenancy agreement with them. The spokesman for the administration said yesterday that a court case between the administration and the yeshiva had been suspended while the negotiations were going on.

Another source insisted that an agreement giving the yeshiva occupancy rights over large agreas of Mt. Zion had already been prepared and was all but signed.

President Ephraim Katzir and France's new ambassador to Israel, Marc Bonnefous, raise their glasses at Beit Hanassi in Jerusalem yesterday. The envoy was in Jerusalem to present his credentials at a ceremony attended by Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, representing the government, and senior Foreign Ministry officials. An army guard of honour presented arms while the police band played the Israeli and French national anthems. (Zoom 77)

Suspect wouldn't 'speak up' because he couldn't

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A theft suspect who refused to answer the questions of a police investigator and seemed emotionally disturbed was brought before a magistrate here with a police request for psychiatric observation.

In court they discovered that the man was deaf and mute.

Police told the court the man was suspected of stealing a sweater from a store and asked for an observation order against him. When the man began to grunt, a police officer accompanying him tried to communicate in sign language — and found the reason for his "non-cooperation." The judge ordered the man arrested for 24 hours while an expert in the language of deaf-mutes is brought in to "hear" his side of the story.

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No honour among thieves

HAIFA (Itim). — Two of the men alleged to have stolen 1,000 cases of whisky from the port here last month were rearrested on Saturday, on suspicion of attempting to extort "damages" from an alleged accomplice in the whisky heist. The latter, they claimed, was responsible for their arrest and the recovery of most of the stolen liquor.

Yosef Attias and Ya'acov Danan are alleged to have tried to extort money from Yosef Alber while the three of them were in a police lockup following their arrest last month. Police told the Magistrates Court here yesterday that they had threatened to harm Alber and his family if he failed to pay the IL500,000 they demanded.

The threats continued after the men were released earlier this month. On Saturday, Attias and Danan were picked up by police outside Alber's home in Bat Galim, where they had allegedly called to demand IL160,000 from him.

The two men were remanded into custody for 10 days.

Knesset concerned about trial of former Nazis in W. Germany

Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset yesterday expressed concern over the heel-dragging in the West German trial of 14 former SS members who are charged with direct responsibility for the deaths of 250,000 Jews and 100,000 non-Jews in the Maidanek concentration camp.

The question was raised in a motion for the agenda by Hillel Seidel (Likud). Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir agreed that the subject be placed on the agenda for a plenary debate; the House voted to do so without opposition.

Seidel said that the trial has been dragging on in Duesseldorf for over two years already, and at the present rate it will not end before 1980. Among the horrors of Maidanek he recounted was the shooting of 18,000 Jews on a single day — November 13, 1942 — in ditches they themselves had dug.

He noted that the accused are not in jail. The authorities have rented apartments for them near the courthouse to make it easier for them, in view of their age, to get to court.

Tamir announced that 17 witnesses will be leaving Israel in February to testify in the trial, and a West German panel will come here in March to question seven others whose health does not permit them to travel.

The minister said that of the thousands of German war criminals, only a small number have been brought to justice. The least that can be expected of the German courts, he said, is that in those trials that do take place justice should be done — and speedily. But the accused are resorting to every device to make the trial drag on and on, he added.

Tamir said he was sure that he spoke not only for the government but for the entire House in demanding that the Maidanek trial be speeded up.

Comptroller scores Herzliya for fiscal and administrative carelessness

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN,
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HERZLIYA. — The state comptroller has criticized the Herzliya Municipality for fiscal and administrative carelessness, and for the manner in which it contracted out work during the years 1970-1975.

In his report on the city, the comptroller pointed to several instances where the city gave work to contractors without a tender, when by law a public tender should have been issued. One contractor received a IL335,000 contract to build kindergartens, although no tender had been issued.

In many other instances, the city displayed slipshod fiscal or administrative management. For example, the comptroller found that some apartments in a young couples' housing project went to people who were not entitled to housing.

In many cases, there were no clear records of payments made to city schools by parents, or of what equipment there was in the schools.

In other cases, city property had not been formally registered. Offices and stores rented out by the city had been sublet without the city's knowledge or agreement.

In April 1973, the city paid a planning engineer IL825,000 for his work. Yet no contract had been signed with him concerning terms.

One criticism that appeared throughout the report was the city's failure to collect the money due to it. As of March 3, 1976, the city had failed to collect some IL10m. In one case, a factory owed the city more than IL1m. for its linkage to the sewerage network.

Another serious criticism was the failure of the city's planning and building committee adequately to control building within the city. Defects in licensing procedures were also noted.

Reacting to the report at a press conference yesterday, Herzliya Mayor Yosef Nevo attributed most of the shortcomings cited to "the large scale of the city's activities," and noted that most of these had already been corrected. He expressed satisfaction with the comptroller's comments on the city's efforts to expand schools and industry.

Israel bans two alleged carcinogens from cowsheds

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Pesticides containing the allegedly cancer-causing substances Alpha-BHC and Beta-BHC have been banned from use in Israeli cowsheds after April 1, it was reported yesterday at a press conference of the Consumer Shield Organization. The ban was confirmed by the Ministry of Health.

Residues of these chemicals were found in milk tested last fall by Consumer Shield.

Dr. Jerry Westin, medical consultant of the organization, also reported that the permitted level in milk of another carcinogenic substance, Gamma-BHC (also known as lindane) has been reduced here from 0.5 parts per million to 0.1 p.p.m. Westin credits recent public pressure on producers for the reduction. He noted that 0.1 p.p.m. is nearly the recommended maximum for lindane in UN food standards.

A committee set up by the ministry to study pesticides in milk is supposed to report in two months. Meanwhile, Consumer Shield urges adults to avoid use of local milk and milk products and to use imported formula preparations for infants after consulting with a specialist in pediatric nutrition.

The new director of public health services at the ministry, Dr. Ted Tulchinsky, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that he had information that some children in Israel had been taken off milk since the adverse publicity. He maintained that milk usage should continue as usual during the ministry's present effort for improved regulation of milk and other food products.

Dr. Tulchinsky issued a public statement last night stressing that "milk in Israel is safe for human consumption." It also said that "advice now being given to stop the use of milk is misleading, professionally incorrect, and could deprive children and adults of essential nutrients. Imported milk substitutes have been tested and also found to contain pesticide residues. Mother's milk also contains pesticides."

The ministry said it increased testing of milk, eggs, vegetables and milk products for pesticide residues this month by four times the usual rate. The test results will be published next week.

The tests showed that the pesticide levels were within the limits of Israeli regulations.

The chemical lindane will be completely phased out of use in the dairy industry this year, Dr. Tulchinsky added.

Malraz wants curbs on Osem factory

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BNEI BRAK. — Malraz, the Public Council Against Noise and Air Pollution, has demanded that the Bnei Brak Municipality force the Osem food-processing factory to halt its night-time noise and odours.

In a letter to the municipality, Malraz chairman Yedidya Be'eri noted that an interim report by the regional health department showed that the noise at night exceeds the permitted levels.

Bnei Brak Mayor Yisrael Gottlieb said last night that Osem was doing everything possible to prevent noise and other disturbances.

He said that the firm is important to Bnei Brak since it supports several hundred families. He added that the residents who are complaining now knew of the existence of the factory before they moved into the neighbourhood.

Traffic hazard eased

The section of the road near the Beit Safafa railway crossing in Jerusalem, a long-time traffic hazard, became a one-way street limited to vehicles up to four tons as of yesterday. Traffic now moves from north to south only.

The Ministry of Transport is planning the construction of an underground passage over this section, a project expected to take two years to complete.

The last accident at the crossing was a train-car collision on December 30 in which five persons were injured.

Fraud suspect out on IL50,000 bail

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Rahamim Aharoni, until now regarded as the chief suspect in a conspiracy to obtain millions of pounds worth of diamonds with counterfeit bank drafts, was released on IL50,000 bail yesterday.

The second suspect in the case, Yehoshua Mizrahi, a diamond merchant, was remanded for an additional 15 days by Judge Aharon Cohen.

Mizrahi and Aharoni were arrested on January 18.

In yesterday's remand session, Rav-Pakad Yitzhak Hagag of the police said Aharoni had been given a lie-detector test and asked whether he had intended to buy diamonds with counterfeit bank cheques. Although the test indicated that Aharoni lied in his answers, police were unable to verify their suspicions against him, Hagag said.

In requesting the additional remand for Mizrahi, Hagag noted that the police had uncovered material which pointed to illegal deals, fraud, foreign currency violations, threats and passing cheques without cover.

Hagag admitted that there was no evidence indicating that Aharoni was linked with the offences of which Mizrahi is suspected.

Sick fund official: Sohar wants fund nationalized

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Sohar Committee report recommended nationalizing the Histadrut sick fund and taking it out of the control of its beneficiaries and the Histadrut, but the committee "did not have the courage to say so in so many words."

Aharon Becker, chairman of Kupat Holim's supervising committee, summed the report in those words at a meeting of his committee here yesterday evening.

Becker added that it is intolerable that the Sohar Committee ignored the Histadrut sick fund, which provides health services to about three-quarters of the Israeli population.

He ended his speech by urging the sick funds and the Histadrut to continue their campaign against implementation of the Sohar recommendations which, he said, would force Kupat Holim out of existence.

MK charges 'no one cares' about hazards at Ben-Gurion

By DAVID LENNON
Post Aviation Reporter

TEL AVIV. — No official body cares about the Hiriya rubbish dump near Ramat Gan, and only after a major aviation disaster will the concern be aroused and the money found to replace it with a proper garbage disposal system, according to Yosef Tamir, the Knesset member who specialises in ecological problems.

"The accident last week when a bird went into the engine of a TWA plane could have led to a real disaster, but none of the bodies responsible for air safety is concerned enough to take any action," Tamir told *The Post*.

The MK raised this question in the Knesset recently. The Knesset Economic Committee had been asked to look into the question and report back to the plenum.

The committee had asked the Transport Ministry, the Civil Aviation Authority, the Airports Authority, and the management of Ben-Gurion Airport to submit recommendations for improving the situation. None of them did.

"This illustrates the attitude of the Transport Ministry and the other official bodies to this problem," Tamir said heatedly.

Only the Pilots Association had responded to the request.

"The Pilots Association is the only body sufficiently aroused by the low safety level at Ben-Gurion Airport and its environs to take any action. The pilots are considering holding a one-hour work stoppage to draw attention to the situation at the airport," he noted.

The Economic Committee will meet today to discuss the Tamir motion on air safety and to make recommendations to the House. These will be based mainly on the report of the pilots.

The main points:

- The Hiriya rubbish dump and the birds it attracts constitute a real danger to aircraft using Ben-Gurion Airport.
- The main runway is not equipped with adequate, modern lighting; and the second, "quiet" runway is unusable not least because planes using it fly directly over some villages.
- The radar at the airport is outdated. The same applies to the control-tower equipment.
- The staff need additional training to bring them up to an adequate level of expertise.

Newsman in custody till spy trial ends

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Cypriot press photographer Panayiotis Paschalis, who allegedly took hundreds of pictures of defence installations and public gathering-places in Israel for a terrorist organization, will remain in custody until the completion of legal proceedings, a District Court judge here decided yesterday.

The Israeli journalist who allegedly helped him gather information, Hans Lebrecht, has been freed on IL100,000 bail — half from a third party and half in the form of a bank guarantee. His bail bond was signed by his defence attorney, Felicia Langer.

In releasing Lebrecht on bail, Judge Dov Levin said it was not clear that he had conspired with Paschalis against the state.

In his decision, Judge Levin said Paschalis had been in contact with Nayef Hawatma, the general secretary of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine, and with Abu Iyad, a leader of the Fatah. Such contacts in the context of his regular work would not provide grounds for prosecution in Israel, Levin noted. However, he said the prosecution had evidence that Paschalis had also met with three PLO members — Abu Yihya, Yunis and Salima — and had worked in Israel at the request of terrorist agents.

Aside from pictures of hotels from various angles, beaches, markets, movie theatres, power plants, and prisons, Judge Levin said, there was evidence Paschalis had gathered statistical information about Israel. Again, he said, acquisition of such published information was not a crime under ordinary circumstances; but the prosecution had evidence that the information had been transmitted to terrorists for use against Israel.

The Foreign Press Association yesterday appointed the legal adviser of the National Federation of Israel Journalists, Yehoshua Rotenstreich, to represent it during Lebrecht's trial. Lebrecht is a member of the FPA and a correspondent for "Zu Haderech," the Rakah Communist paper.

Leading judgment on soldier's furlough death

The Supreme Court has ruled that a soldier killed in a shooting accident while on furlough is to be regarded as having fallen in the line of duty.

In handing down its leading judgement Sunday, the court upheld the appeal which the soldier's parents had filed against the Defence Ministry and its appeals committee, which had ruled that the soldier was not killed in the line of duty as he was on furlough at the time.

The incident occurred on August 1, 1975, when Ilan Tannenbaum, a soldier serving in an elite front-line unit, visited the Nahariya home of a friend serving in the same unit while the two of them were on furlough. The unit was on the alert at the time, and the soldiers were instructed to take their weapons home and service them, making any improvements they felt necessary, to keep them in good order.

Ilan's friend had improved the hand-grip on his rifle, and it was while the two soldiers were examining this that the weapon went off and Ilan was killed.

The state attorney's office, which challenged the appeal on behalf of the Defence Ministry, claimed that Tannenbaum's death could not be considered as having been in the line of duty as he was on leave at the time and had been visiting his friend, not by way of carrying out his duty, but of his own volition.

Justices Meir Shamgar, Shlomo Ascher and Haim Cohn rejected this argument, and cited a number of examples where soldiers on furlough had been killed — while calling a comrade back to his unit in an alert, for example — and had been considered by the Defence Ministry to have fallen in the line of duty. In the case of Tannenbaum, the fact that he had been killed while he and a fellow soldier were working on a weapon — not playing with it — in accordance with the instructions of their officers, made him eligible for the status of a soldier who had fallen in the line of duty and as a direct result of his military service.

The court also ordered the Defence Ministry to pay IL2,500 legal costs. (Itim)

Court backlog totals 100,000 cases

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some 100,000 court cases are carried over every year, a fifth of all the court cases heard, Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir told the Jerusalem Press Club at Beit Agron yesterday.

Tamir said the courts have managed to hear as many cases as come up each year; but because of the court lag created in the past, they must postpone a fifth of the cases every year. He noted that the fact that similar or worse situations exist in the UK, France and the U.S. does not justify such a deferment of justice in Israel.

To reduce the backlog, he said, he needs the cooperation of the judges, the attorneys, the state attorney's offices, the police and the public who appear as witnesses. He expressed regret at the publication of a letter by some judges opposing his plan to extend their hours in court, but noted that this would not deter him from his fight for speedy justice.

Tamir also took the opportunity to say that he is pressing for higher salaries for the judges who, he feels, cannot function properly if they have to worry about balancing the monthly budget.

Regarding the courts, Tamir told the press that a bill entitled "Basic Law: The Courts" was agreed on this week by the coalition and will be proposed in the Knesset. He said he hoped the basic law of the state, part of which already exists, will be formalized in this Knesset session.

The Basic Laws will include a bill of rights, provision that a change in any of them requires more than a simple majority of the Knesset, and some role for the Supreme Court to rule on the "constitutionality" of other laws, he said. (The Basic Laws are the closest thing Israel has to a constitution.)

Tel Aviv billboards have to come down

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The city will gradually lose all of its 78 unsightly billboards in the next few months, the city executive decided yesterday.

As the executive sees it, the billboards are eyesores which serve no vital communications purpose.

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Russia readying for non-nuclear war in Europe

WASHINGTON (AP). — Russia's development of an air force capable of devastating attack into Western Europe suggests it may "no longer plan for inevitable rapid escalation to nuclear weapons," according to a Brookings Institution study.

The study, released on Sunday, said that Soviet tactical air forces built in the early 1960s for a short nuclear war have been modernized with a wide variety of advanced warplanes and weapons.

"And today the Russians, armed for the first time to fight a modern non-nuclear war, would not be compelled to immediately escalate to nuclear war," it added.

Russia does remain prepared for eventual use of nuclear weapons, the study said. But it noted that Moscow may choose instead to send massive air strikes to destroy North Atlantic alliance air bases and nuclear storage depots.

This, it said, might deprive NATO of its nuclear response option and assure that Soviet ground forces could move into NATO territory.

The study, prepared by research associate Robert Berman, notes that since 1970 the Soviet air force has changed from being largely defensive to an offensive fleet of modern planes that are heavier and bigger than earlier generations of tactical fighters and bombers. These are capable of carrying larger bomb and missile loads over greater distances.

Berman urges that the U.S. and its European allies act to counter this development.

In order to cope with the modern Soviet air and ground forces, U.S. and Western European armies eventually will need to be restructured and re-equipped, the study said. "NATO ground forces must acquire new equipment so that they will be able to fight independently of direct, low-level air support."

At the same time, the study said, the NATO allies must move to protect the likely targets of Soviet air attacks, particularly the nuclear storage depots, command and control centres and military air bases.

It urged placement of thicker air defence missile batteries, construction of numerous shelters to protect aircraft on the ground, and reserve ammunition and equipment stocks. It also called for plans to disperse aircraft to make them less vulnerable to surprise attack before they can take off.

The study foresees that a large-scale attack by the air forces of the Soviet Union and its Warsaw Pact allies could cause the attackers losses of about one-third in the first five days.

"Such a raid would sap Soviet and Warsaw Pact air resources so that a second major attack would be almost impossible," the study said. "Still, the initial onslaught could be devastating."

However, the study suggested that the Russians might be willing to absorb such losses to get the upper hand over NATO defenders.

Top Communist ousted in strategic Chinese region

PEKING (Reuter). — The top Communist Party figure in China's strategic western Sinkiang region has been removed from his post, according to a provincial radio report.

It is the most important political removal since the downfall of the so-called "Gang of Four" in October 1976.

The report, monitored on Sunday on Sinkiang's Urumchi radio, said that Saifudin, who had headed the party committee and was also political commissar of the People's Liberation Army in the region, had been replaced by his No. 2 assistant, Wang Feng.

Saifudin, 61, a member of the Uighur minority people in Sinkiang, had studied in Moscow and belonged to both the Soviet and the Chinese Communist parties.

He and his wife were reputed to have had ties with the "Gang of Four," the extremist leaders headed by Mao Tse-tung's widow Chiang Ching, who were purged and consigned to political oblivion in October 1976.

Saifudin had been first secretary of the Sinkiang Communist Party Committee, chairman of the region's revolutionary committee and first political commissar of the Sinkiang military region.

He was also re-elected an alternate member of the Politburo of the Chinese Communist Party at the 11th party congress last August. However, it was noted by observers that he was the only alternate member from the previous party congress to have remained in a static position — all the others were either promoted or demoted.

The report on Urumchi radio said that Wang Feng had presided over a "recent" meeting in Sinkiang to disseminate instructions from Communist Party chairman Hua Kuo-feng and the party central committee on work in Sinkiang.

Exposing Gang of Four helps China in space

TOKYO (AP). — China launched another earth satellite on January 26, the Hsinhua news agency reported yesterday. By unofficial count, it was the eighth satellite orbited by China, which launched its first on April 24, 1970.

It said, however, the achievement was attributed to the guidance of the "wise leader Chairman Hua Kuo-feng's strategic decision to grasp the key link, class struggle, and bring about great order across the land."

"Great victories in the struggle to expose and criticize the Gang of Four" also helped get the artificial moon aloft, Hsinhua said.

Reprieve for Iranian spy

TEHERAN (AP). — The Shah yesterday granted a reprieve to a civil servant condemned to be shot by a firing squad for selling Iranian secrets to the Soviet Union.

The execution of Education Ministry official Ali-Naghi Rabbani, 57, was "postponed indefinitely," apparently because he agreed to cooperate with authorities in smashing the spy ring, officials said.

At his trial in December, Rabbani testified that he had passed Iranian secrets to the Soviet Union through a mini-computer able to transmit directly to a Soviet spy satellite in orbit over Iran.

Sosazine Kurik being treated for hypertension at New York's Kennedy airport after she and 34 other Iraqis arrived there last week, seeking political asylum. (AP radiophoto)

Iraqis fear death if U.S. denies asylum

NEW YORK (AP). — Some of the 35 Iraqis who bolted an airplane at Kennedy Airport in a dash for asylum in the U.S. say they wanted to come to the U.S. because it is a Christian nation.

They also say they fear imprisonment or even death if they are sent back home.

An immigration hearing was to be held yesterday to determine whether the Iraqis, including seven children, should be allowed to stay as political refugees.

The Iraqis, members of an Assyrian Christian sect, told authorities that they wanted to escape alleged religious and economic persecution of Iraq's Moslem government.

One of the refugees, Satrak Kevort, 53, said he and his family wanted to come to the U.S. because "it is a Christian country. It is a good country. In Iraq there is too much trouble, too much shooting. There are too many political problems."

The Iraqis' escape from the Montreal-bound Air Maroc plane on Saturday was carefully planned, according to officials. When the plane stopped for fuelling, the Iraqis pushed their way off the plane and fought briefly with airport authorities.

The Iraqis said they had travelled to Athens over a six-month period and had gathered in a church to plan their strategy. The plan was to board an airplane bound for Canada with a stopover in the U.S.

Tickets for the flight were purchased by Greek sympathizers. The refugees were met by lawyers, many of them former citizens of Iraq.

Moluccan moderate wounded by extremists in The Hague

THE HAGUE (Reuter). — Two South Moluccan gunmen shot and wounded a prominent member of their exiled community here on Sunday night, police said.

The victim was identified as Thedore Kuhuwael, 63, a South Moluccan teacher who acted as a mediator during the double siege of a train and a school by militants last summer.

Police said his assailants escaped after shooting him in the back.

Kuhuwael was conscious and described his assailants before being taken to hospital.

The elderly teacher, now retired, works as an adviser to the Dutch Education Ministry. He was called in by the government to mediate in the double hostage drama last summer, and in a previous siege involving another train and the Indonesian consulate in Amsterdam in 1975.

Kuhuwael was once minister of education in the exiled cabinet of South Moluccan "President" Johannes Manusama, the titular leader of most of the 40,000 Moluccans in Holland.

Both men are closely identified with the moderate forces in the exiled community's struggle to win support for independence of their homeland from Indonesian rule.

Kuhuwael was to have joined four other prominent figures from the Moluccan community in a fact-finding mission to Indonesia next month, and there was speculation here that the attack might be the work of Moluccan militants who are denouncing the trip as a sellout to Indonesia.

Hassan's Madrid visit linked to Western Sahara fighting

MADRID (Reuter). — King Hassan of Morocco yesterday ended his first visit to Spain since this country ceded the Western Sahara to Morocco and Mauritania in November 1975.

The Spanish press saw the visit as being clearly related to the situation in the former Spanish colony, where Algerian-backed Polisario guerrillas are fighting for the territory's independence. Officially the Moroccan monarch was a private guest of King Juan Carlos.

The visit coincided with a Spanish diplomatic offensive on the North African front.

Spanish Socialist leader Felipe Gonzalez was due to meet President Houari Boumedienne in Algiers yesterday to discuss Algeria's support for the Canary archipelago independence movement MPAIAC, which has soured diplomatic relations between the two countries.

The Algerian government ended MPAIAC leader Antonio Cubillo's regular propaganda broadcasts from Algiers last week as a gesture of good will towards Spain.

Asked whether this might lead to the Spanish ambassador to Algiers being sent back to his post, a Foreign Ministry spokesman here said that no such decision had yet been taken. The ambassador was recalled last December 22.

The MPAIAC is expected to apply for recognition as an African liberation movement at the forthcoming Tripoli meeting of the Organization of African Unity's (OAU) decolonization committee. King Juan Carlos sent his father to Tripoli with a message for Muammar Gaddafi on the subject this month.

Meanwhile, Lt. Gen. Manuel Gutierrez Mellado, Spain's first deputy-premier and minister of defence, has left for an inspection tour of the Canaries during which he will study plans for building a combined air and naval base in the strategically vital archipelago off the coast of Morocco.

The text of the November 1975 Madrid agreement on the Western Sahara between Spain, Morocco and Mauritania has never been published in Spain's official gazette, as required. A Foreign Ministry spokesman said this could affect the treaty's internal validity, but not its international one.

Zaire denies new revolt in Shaba

BRUSSELS (AP). — The embassy of Zaire yesterday issued a formal denial of a new uprising in the southeastern copper mining province of Shaba.

The province, formerly known as Katanga, was invaded last year by followers of the late secessionist leader Moise Tshombe. The invaders were driven back after two months with the help of a Moroccan expeditionary force and French military advisers.

Tshombe's son, Jean, told the Belgian news agency on Sunday that a new uprising was taking place in the province.

The Brussels daily "Le Soir" said later that the Belgian consulate in Lumumbashi, the capital of Shaba province, reported the situation normal in the city.

Battered husbands

WASHINGTON (AP). — Some 12 million men in the U.S. are physically abused by their wives at some point during their marriage and an estimated one million are severely beaten, a researcher says.

Roger Langley, co-author of a book on wife beating, says the battered husbands are too embarrassed to report the abuse.

He called husband-beating "the most under-reported crime in the nation today," and said the problem may be as widespread as wife-beating.

Victims of beatings by wives include small men married to big women, older men married to younger and physically stronger wives, and handicapped or sick men married to healthy women.

Italian kidnappers seize 13-year-old girl

LECCO, Italy. — Three bandits kidnapped a 13-year-old northern Italian schoolgirl yesterday in Italy's second reported abduction in 24 hours and the third this year.

Police said the kidnappers threw a blanket over the head of little Elena Corti as she walked home from school and then dragged her into a waiting car. Elena is the daughter of the director of an Italian import company near Lake Como.

In southern Italy, kidnappers on Sunday grabbed the 20-year-old daughter of a wealthy pasta manufacturer.

Kidnapping, a major Italian industry, claimed a record 76 victims in 1977; and police estimate kidnappers have netted a $175.5m. in ransoms since 1970.

Somalis pull back from city of Harar

MOGADISHU, Somalia. — Somali forces have withdrawn from the strategic city of Harar in eastern Ethiopia following day and night air raids by Cuban-piloted Ethiopian warplanes, diplomatic sources said yesterday.

The sources said the Somalis, who at one point last week controlled two-thirds of the mountain citadel town in the north of the Ogaden desert region, pulled back about three kilometres on Saturday or Sunday.

The pullback marked the second time the Somalis have been forced out of Harar after penetrating the city's defences and fighting in the streets of the town.

The last time was in early December, following a four-week Somali effort to capture the city.

The sources said it appeared last week that the Somalis were close to capturing the city when the air raids began. They speculated that the attackers would have succeeded had they possessed effective air cover or ground-to-air missiles.

The diplomats confirmed a Somali report that the Ethiopians launched a large scale attack last Sunday pushing south of Harar. The Somalis counter-attacked, captured the towns of Babile and Fiyambiro east of Harar and moved into the city itself, they said.

In Nairobi, meanwhile, Iranian Ambassador to Kenya Ahamed Tavakoli said yesterday that Iran could not remain indifferent if Ethiopia attacked Somalia but was trying to promote peace between the two neighbours.

Tavakoli would not elaborate on what action Iran would take if Ethiopian forces moved into Somalia. (UPI, Reuter)

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horrific new diseases for warfare purposes.

The sources described the diseases as haemorrhagic fevers discovered in Africa during the past 20 years.

They are Lassa fever, which according to the sources kills 35 of every 100 people it strikes; Ebola fever, which kills 70 of every 100, and the deadly Marburg fever (green monkey disease).

The sources said the Russians are working along four principle lines involving both the old and new diseases:

- Increasing their lethality;
- Cutting their incubation time so they will kill more quickly;
- Finding means to protect Soviet troops and civilians from the diseases; and
- Improving means of delivery of the "bugs."

The sources said increased Russian interest in biological warfare, combined with the huge Soviet stockpile of chemical warfare weapons, is deeply disturbing to the U.S. and its NATO allies.

They said Soviet forces in Eastern Europe are being given new weapons — artillery, ground-to-ground missiles, rockets, and even mortars — which have the ability to deliver chemical and biological agents.

Soviet armed forces regularly train in chemical warfare; and troops dressed in protective anti-chemical suits sometimes participate in mock wars in which real, lethal chemical gases and liquids are used, the sources said.

Most worrying is the fact that in Soviet military doctrine chemicals, although "weapons of mass destruction," are considered tactical weapons and as such are an integral part of the battlefield of the future.

Unlike NATO armies, the Russian armed forces have large contingents of chemical warfare troops in every formation down to regiment level.

An international convention banning the use, production and possession of biological weapons came into force in 1975 when it was ratified by the Soviet Union, the U.S. and Britain.

The 30-nation Geneva disarmament conference is still trying to negotiate a separate agreement to ban deadly nerve agents and other chemical weapons.

South Africa agrees to Namibia talks

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — The five western powers have reached agreement with South Africa for a decisive new round of negotiations within two weeks to settle the future of Namibia (South West Africa).

The agreement for "proximity talks" in New York with both South African Foreign Minister Roelof "Pik" Botha and Sam Nujoma, president of the South West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO), represents a kew step in efforts by the U.S., Britain, West Germany, Canada and France to arrange independence for the African territory.

U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance will host the sessions at the foreign ministers' level. Ambassadors will meet for two days before the talks, February 11-12, at the U.S. mission to the UN.

STRIKES. — West German dockworkers ended their first strike of the century yesterday after winning a trend-setting 7 per cent wage increase — expected to trigger a metal workers' walkout in March.

Patriotic Front leader Joshua Nkomo, right, and his deputy Jonah Chinamano, left, talk with British Foreign Secretary David Owen, second from left, and UN representative Lt.-Gen. Bey Chand at start of Rhodesia settlement talks in Malta yesterday. (UPI telephoto)

Rhodesia talks in Malta get off to rough start

VALLETTA, Malta. — Serious differences emerged yesterday when British and U.S. negotiators here sought to revive stalled Rhodesia peace efforts in talks with black guerrilla leaders, U.S. envoy Andrew Young said.

But western officials said that while there were differences, there were no acrimonious exchanges when Young and British Foreign Secretary David Owen met externally based Patriotic Front leaders Robert Mugabe and Joshua Nkomo.

The talks lasted some two hours at a luxury hotel on this Mediterranean island.

Mugabe, who leads the Patriotic Front, said afterwards that the talks had been cordial. "We have made a beginning and we are going to go ahead talking and clearing the way," he told reporters.

Young told reporters there were "divisions" between the western team and the nationalist leaders. "The divisions are on serious issues," he said, without elaborating.

British sources indicated that the major issues on which the initiative could founder had yet to be dealt with in full. Sources said Young is prepared to embark on an African shuttle to keep up the momentum of peace efforts if any progress is made here.

The negotiations are regarded as crucial since their failure will almost certainly mean continued bloodshed in Rhodesia's growing bush war. The guerrilla leaders issued a thinly veiled warning yesterday that the war would go on unless Britain modified its latest settlement proposals.

According to diplomatic sources, any collapse of the talks would also bring the five-month-old Anglo-American peace initiative to a standstill, giving Rhodesian premier Ian Smith room to negotiate a rival internal settlement with moderate blacks living inside the territory.

Young said yesterday that he did not believe the internal talks could end the war against Smith's white minority government.

In Salisbury, meanwhile, Smith resumed talks yesterday with the black moderates — excluding Bishop Abel Muzorewa, who is boycotting the meetings, amid speculation that he will rejoin them later this week.

Muzorewa stormed out of the talks on Friday, thus blocking plans by the delegates to announce agreement over the 12-year Rhodesian dispute before or during yesterday's meeting in Malta.

After yesterday's two-hour meeting in Salisbury, one of the delegates, the Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole, said the talks are "continuing. We meet again on Wednesday."

Neither Smith nor the other black delegation leader, Chief Jeremiah Chirau, made any comment. (Reuter, UPI)

Cambodians proclaim ouster of Vietnamese

BANGKOK. — Cambodia claimed yesterday that it had eliminated all Vietnamese troops which had invaded its territory.

"Cambodian troops and the people have energetically fought against Vietnam and eliminated all of its aggressive troops from Cambodian territory," said Radio Phnom Penh, monitored here. The broadcast gave no details.

The radio said on Sunday that Cambodia had defeated Vietnamese forces which intruded last Friday into an area north of O-Tang village in the northern province of Rattanakiri.

Two days earlier Vietnamese soldiers penetrated one kilometre inside Cambodian territory but retreated after an eight-hour clash, it said.

The Vietnamese, who have called for quick talks at any level to settle the dispute, have denied invading Cambodia, saying their people were forced to fight against Cambodian incursions.

Meanwhile, Thai Foreign Minister Upadit Pachariyangkun flew into Phnom Penh yesterday, hoping to make peace with Cambodia and to promote peace between Cambodia and Vietnam.

Radio Phnom Penh announced the arrival of the minister and his delegation at Phnom Penh's Pochentong Airport.

Thai authorities have reported continuing raids into their territory by Cambodian troops. While seeking to solve that conflict, Upadit will also offer to serve as a mediator between Cambodia and Vietnam.

Thailand and Cambodia agreed to establish diplomatic relations in 1976; but contacts since then have been cool at best, and ambassadors were never exchanged. Border clashes still occur periodically along the 800-kilometre frontier.

Meanwhile, 200 Cambodian soldiers attacked a Thai village, wounding seven persons including four border policemen and burning a house over the weekend, border police headquarters here said yesterday.

One Cambodian's body was found in the village in Surin province, 350 kilometres northeast of Bangkok, police said.

Police said reinforcements from a nearby military base rushed armoured cars to the fray, and Thai fighter planes were dispatched on bombing and strafing runs.

After a four-hour clash Cambodian forces retreated, police said. Thai forces remained on full alert yesterday, police said. (Reuter, AP)

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World Zionism —a new look

Arye Dulzin, heir presumptive to the chairmanship of the World Zionist Organization, outlines some of the changes he is planning to MARK SEGAL.

GREAT CHANGES are afoot in the World Zionist Organization as 40 years of Labour rule come to an end. The political revolution that swept the Likud to power in Israel is now overtaking the WZO, as a result not only of the general elections here, but also of local Zionist polls.

What this means in concrete terms is that when the Zionist Congress convenes in Jerusalem's Binyenei Ha'uma on February 20, about 190 of the 560 delegates will belong to the Likud, now the largest group in the WZO, with Labour reduced to about 140. Thus, when the assembly gets down to voting in a new executive a few days later, Labour will find itself losing the chairmanship and keeping only four, instead of its usual six plum jobs.

To many minds, the most positive result of the changeover in the WZO is that Mapam will no longer have the Information Department which it mismanaged for too many years.

The vote on the chairmanship is due on February 22. The office-holder must also be confirmed as chairman of the Jewish Agency executive by its board of governors, half of whose members are non-party Diaspora leaders.

As of now, the sole and unchallenged candidate is Jewish Agency Treasurer Arye Dulzin of the Likud. He has finally made it after years of devoted service to the Zionist cause, first well before he came on aliya from Mexico in the 1950s. He has now formed a Likud bloc out of his own World Union of General Zionists (of which he is president), Herut, Tzohar and Le'am.

It will be a case of third time lucky. For he has contested the Number One job twice before — against the late Pinhas Sapir and the outgoing incumbent Yosef Almogi, being blocked by the prevailing argument that the chairman of the WZO must belong to the same party as Israel's prime minister.

Interviewed in his office at the Agency building on Tel Aviv's Rehov Kaplan, the candidate was his usual affable and unruffled self.

BEFORE getting down to the nitty-gritty of Zionist politics, Dulzin expounded on some of his plans for reforming the creaking machinery of the WZO.

First of all, he wants to enhance the status and content of the Diaspora Zionist federations by transferring to them all the functions of the local WZO departments. He notes with displeasure that at present, the WZO departments operate quite separately from the federations, being directed from, and only responsible to, their head offices in Jerusalem.

"It is an absolutely anomalous situation. There is no coordination, so much duplication, and often confusion about where the ultimate responsibility lies. Worst of all, there is a terrible waste of money," he says in a rising voice.

His decentralization plan will, he promises, also include budget control. What he wishes to put an end to is the set-up in which each department works on its own in every country, without any contact with the local movement.

His next item for long overdue reform is the area of *shlihim*. Under existing practice, these emissaries are sent out by the various empire-builders in the Agency without any coordination. "They behave like Chinese warlords," Dulzin notes sardonically.

He now intends to oblige all the *shlihim* in any given country to work together as one team under one chief. To this end emissaries will have to work with their local Zionist federation. This will facilitate coordination and make better use of their talents during their overseas assignments.

DULZIN INTENDS to do away with the party key in choosing *shlihim* for the Youth and Hehalutz Department — one of the holier cows of WZO factional vested interests. Emissaries should be sent where they are needed, not where the parties want them.

He mentions the case of one North American Jewish community to which the department had sent six *shlihim* to work among only 240 youth movement members. He has similar "horror" stories from other areas, but prefers not to elaborate.

Under his proposed new rules, the genuine requirements of the youth movements will not suffer, and they will get *shlihim* according to need. However, greater emphasis will henceforth be put on community *shlihim*. This scheme, whereby an emissary is assigned to a Jewish community centre and not just to a tiny branch of a party movement, has already proven a great success.

Another proposal is to separate the Organization and Information Departments, held hitherto, with such controversial results, by Mapam. In order to provide an effective framework for Zionist information and public relations work, Dulzin proposes the establishment of a Council for Zionist Information, composed of professionals and public figures.

Another innovation he wishes to introduce as part of his decentralization scheme is the annual rotation of members of the WZO Executive in Europe and Latin America. Just as there is a New York section of the Executive, so he wants members to be assigned to Paris or London or Buenos Aires, where they would coordinate the work of WZO departments with the local federations.

Arye Dulzin (U. Keren)

Dulzin is convinced that his proposals will give greater prestige and authority to the local federations, and make them into the central communal bodies, as is the case with South African Jewry.

As to the relationship between the local Zionist leadership and fund-raising, Dulzin hopes that the reorganization scheme will lead to the federations' regarding fund-raising as an integral part of their work, which is not the case everywhere today, he regrets.

THE ONLY WAY he can effect his reforms is to have the best people available for the new Executive. He wishes to form a wall-to-wall coalition. With 50 per cent of the members being replaced, there is a golden opportunity for the parties to find the best men to fit the jobs, and not vice versa, as has been the practice hitherto, with Herut as well as Labour. He declares:

"One can evolve the best programmes, but they will never be carried out if one does not get the right people from all the parties to carry them out."

What will be of great help to Dulzin in this effort is the crucial fact that the Zionist party functionaries do not have the final say on four key portfolios — Treasury, Settlement, Aliya and Youth Aliya. In these cases, the Agency's board of governors, with its non-party directors exercising objective criteria, will have the decisive voice.

As chairman, Dulzin will urge Israel and world Jewry to embark on a radical reappraisal of aims, with special emphasis on aliya and Jewish education. He fears an increase in the number of "disappearing Jews," lost in the affluent communities through assimilation and intermarriage. His statistics indicate a disastrous situation in the field of education, with only 20 per cent of Jewish children in the free world receiving Jewish schooling of any kind.

A young Jew in the 30-40 age group may be lacking in Jewish education, says Dulzin, but he stills feels himself Jewish and identifies with Israel because of his awareness of the Holocaust and the rebirth of Israel. The real danger lies in the new generation lacking that background, and this is the challenge that must be met.

Aliya must have an equal priority, for in his opinion Israel's future will be in jeopardy if its Jewish population remains at no more than 3 or 3.5m. Security cannot be guaranteed by borders alone, but by the number of Jews living here, he believes.

THE CANDIDATE for the chairmanship spells out his plan for enlarging the joint government-Agency coordinating commission to include the World Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith, the Presidents Conference and other Jewish bodies. This would provide a central world Jewish forum which could discuss Israel-Diaspora relations.

Dulzin speaks enthusiastically about his excellent relationship with the prime minister, who went out of his way to support his candidature. He notes that the premier is more involved in the problems of World Jewry than his predecessor, and takes every opportunity to emphasize his wish for closer relations with the Diaspora communities. Dulzin hopes that once he is elected chairman, a new chapter will open in relations between the government and the Agency, which have not been as close in the past as they should have been.

Dulzin will certainly enjoy more influence that did his predecessor, mainly because of his senior position in the Likud hierarchy. This was demonstrated when he was chosen by his Liberal Party as a minister-without-portfolio in the National Unity Government. He is not only a member of the Likud Executive, but is widely regarded as Number Two in the Liberal Party after its chairman, Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich.

Thus Dulzin will bring enviable political assets to his new position, which has lacked for some time — except for Sapir's short spell in office — a chairman with real political muscle.

Trail of the lonesome pine

LISTENING IN...
Ze'ev Schul

SPRING is in the air. Tu Bishvat has come and gone, and it was thus only fitting that some of last week's programmes were dedicated to Mother Nature. And what a relief they were!

"On Economics and Business" — (Monday 1805) brought us Mordechai ben Porat of the Jewish National Fund's Afforestation Department, to explain why the Jerusalem pine were dying of some mysterious disease. Don't expect an answer. There wasn't any.

But it reminded me of one of my first assignments on *The Post* some two decades ago, when I covered a convention of "foresters," this was held at Mikve Israel Agricultural School. There I heard that many of the country's hills would revert to their former treeless state within the next 50 years or so, unless some new type of tree — replacing the pine — could be found soon.

The Jerusalem (or Aleppo Pine, as it is also called), was not indigenous to most parts of this country, so the experts said. Exceptions were parts of the Carmel the first (westernmost ridge) of the Jerusalem Hills, and Mount Scopus. Only there, and nowhere else, were conditions suitable for its natural proliferation. It would do well in most of the northern half of the country, but would not reproduce.

At that conference, I recall learning that the average life span for the Jerusalem pine is about 50 years (though Mr. Ben Porat did say that given ideal conditions, the tree could live to a ripe old age of 150). So maybe the problem, if I may venture a very inexpert opinion, is that the stands of Jerusalem pine, barren and childless as they are, are merely dying of old age. And that this process is accelerated by the poor soil conditions, the overcrowded stands, and the ecological effect of all those cars whizzing by and emitting all those noxious fumes.

We can take some comfort in the fact, reported by Mr. Ben Porat, that we are planting the pines faster than we are losing them.

But there is some hope, he told us. The French Riviera in recent years lost the equivalent of almost twice Israel's forests to disease. Nobody knew why. Then all of a sudden, after the French government had spent a small fortune trying to stop the blight, the disease stopped of its own accord. Paris is now spending a second fortune, trying to find out what happened.

In Italy, we also learned, thousands of cypress trees are dying, all over the country. Maybe it is just a bad time for conifers.

It's certainly going to be troublesome for the JNF fund raisers to explain (to donors) how come the forest commemorating Mr. So and So isn't there any more (Yitzhak Tishler told us a true story of one fellow-Jew from the States who alighted from a ship in Jaffa during the early twenties, equipped with a pith helmet, double barelled shotgun, riding breeches and all. Said he'd come here to hunt in his forest, the one the JNF had planted for him.)

Diseased pines in Sha'ar Hagai (M. Goldberg)

SO MUCH for the trees. But did you know that there are over 28 different orchids (all protected) growing in this country and that some of them have mightily potent aphrodisiac qualities (attributed) to them? Or that that much popular oriental dessert known as *Sahleb*, a half-drink, half-jelly of an indifferent greyish colour, sprinkled with cinnamon and spices, is made of the roots of one of these species? If you didn't we'd better inform you that the roots of yesteryear may help you get a baby girl. This year's root product, strongly brewed, will yield a strapping son.

My knowledge is, gleaned from last week's "World of Science," by Yosef Taragin which I still find consistently good. This week honouring our own version of Arbour Day, focused on our vanishing flora. Did you know that in addition to the orchids (and I will come back to them anon) we have ten indigenous kinds of irises found absolutely nowhere else? There is the tan iris, there are rose hued and red ones and there is also a painter Rubin's famous purple-black variety which flowers early and exists only in a 60 square kilometre area somewhere between Yeroham and Arad? And that if the Beduin goats haven't finished them off yet our unappreciative hordes of wandering fellow citizens scarely do, as they go on their outings via Jericho to Sdom and doubling back in time for lunch — trailing Bamba, bubble gum wrappers, banana and orange peels, tissues and empty soft drink bottles, and the last half dozen black irises, wilting on the back seat of the car.

To come back to the orchids: did you know that we have one kind that resembles the Queen Bee, even down to imitating her sexy fragrance? You and I wouldn't know the difference and neither do the drones, the male bees. There seems some kind of justice in the fact that they (the drones) may at least achieve some kind of sexual gratification seeing that the odds of their getting anywhere near their virgin bride, in competition with thousands of other drones, (during what apiarists kindly refer to as "swarming") are next to nil. That's where our friend the orchid comes in. Now whether the hard-up drones are consciously willing to engage in make believe or whether they really don't know any better is anybody's guess. Fact is — they indulge and come away carrying two tiny tufts of pollen on their foreheads. This has helped the orchid survive and solved a problem for the male bees, who hatch three weeks ahead of their beloved one(s).

Did you know that we, in Israel, have the undistinguished record of leading the world in the number of species of flora that have become extinct here during the past few decades or so? One per cent of our total or some thirty sorts in all. This includes some to be found nowhere else in the world.

The London "Times" commented on this quite bitterly the other week. A headline read: "Extinction in Israel."

Rare breed in football

By HYAM CORNEY
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON — Jewish footballers are a rare breed in the British professional game. The number who have made the grade in league football in the last 20 years can be counted on the fingers of one hand — which makes it all the more surprising that two of them have been making the headlines here in the past few days, though for vastly different reasons.

The only Jew currently playing in the Football League, Barry Silkman, found himself in court charged with possessing forged American dollars. Beside the dock with him was one of his team-mates, Rachid Harkouk, of Arab descent. Both play for Second Division Crystal Palace.

Harkouk was fined £750 and Silkman, who lives in London's East End, £500. Both could have gone to jail but they found a judge who was sympathetic and told them: "I am not dealing with criminals but two stupid idiots who got mixed up with professional criminals. Go away and get back to football."

On a more pleasant note, former footballer David Pleat has been named as manager of Second Division Luton Town, making him almost certainly the first Jew to manage a Football League club.

Pleat, who is 33, is a former Luton player and also played during a career cut short by injury for Nottingham Forest in the First Division, and for a number of clubs in the lower divisions. Three weeks ago, he was Luton's reserve team coach and was then promoted to first team coach when the holder of that post went to America. His appointment as manager came when Harry Haslam left the club last week to become manager of Sheffield United.

So highly did Haslam regard Pleat that he asked him to follow him to Sheffield. But Pleat decided to grab the unexpected opportunity of becoming one of the Football League's youngest managers.

A former England schoolboy international and youth international winger, Pleat returned to Luton three years ago as reserve team coach when his playing career ended. He has always seen management as his long-term aim.

Anglo-Jewry's many soccer fans will be watching his career with great interest — and also that of footballer Silkman, a small but skilful forward who was on the threshold of making a name for himself with Crystal Palace until this incident affected his form. Palace are one of the best teams in the Second Division and have the ability to get back into the first within a couple of seasons.

Petition for abused wives

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Divorce litigation, in both the civil and rabbinical courts, should be outlawed because the only prerequisite for a divorce is a written agreement between husband and wife.

This is one of five points in a petition now being circulated by the League for Women's Rights in the Courts (P.O.B. 52, Kfar Yonah). It will be submitted to the Knesset after sufficient signatures have been affixed.

The League runs its own *Beit Din Zedek* (informal court) where couples are helped to reach divorce agreements amicably. Sylvia Mandelbaum, founder of the League and of the court, said sometimes the trick is for the woman to suggest to her husband that they sit down together and work out a mutually satisfactory agreement, instead of fighting.

"There are some women whose husbands want to give them the divorce but the women apparently want, sometimes subconsciously, to hold on to the husband. When he is willing to give her nine-tenths of the joint property, she holds out for the other tenth. So she goes to a lawyer, who tells her she's right. Then the husband has to go to a lawyer who tells him not to give her anything. The result is that some couples have been in the courts as long as 20 years without reaching an agreement."

The petition also calls for a rabbinical body to be empowered to dissolve the marriage where one spouse is stubborn, or unable to reach a decision because of mental or emotional difficulties or where the wife has been deserted. Similar dissolution of marriage should be available for women who have been in the courts for more than two years.

The Shulchan Aruch (the codex according to which religious persons live their daily lives) says that a man may support his divorced wife and that this is a more meritorious act than supporting any other poor person. The League's petition demands that this be incorporated into secular law.

The League is also demanding that wife-beating be made a criminal offence.

In addition, the petitioners demand, that division of property and custody of children should be separated from the divorce *per se*, so that men will not be able to use denials of divorce as blackmail to force the women to give up property rights or custody of the children.

Choice of cheese souffles

FROM MY JERUSALEM KITCHEN/Sybil Zimmerman

BLENDER CHEESE SOUFFLE
6 servings

1 T. butter or margarine
6 eggs
½ cup whipping cream or pareve whip
¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese
½ t. mustard
½ t. salt
¼ t. pepper
2 cups grated Cheddar or other yellow cheese
1½ cup white cheese (no fat, 9%, 12%, 15%)

1. Butter a souffle or high-sided casserole dish. Place eggs, heavy cream or pareve whip, parmesan cheese, mustard, salt and pepper in blender. Whirl until smooth.

2. Cut cheddar or yellow cheese into pieces. Add piece by piece to blender. Add cream cheese. Whirl at high speeds 5 seconds.

3. Pour into souffle dish. Bake in 375°F (190°C) oven 45-50 minutes. Serve immediately.

DOUBLE CHEESE SOUFFLE
6 servings

2 containers cottage cheese
2 containers low-fat (blue lid) white cheese
½ package melted margarine
1 cup self-rising flour
6 eggs
2 t. dried dill
salt and pepper to taste
2 t. onion powder

1. Mix cottage cheese and low-fat cheese together in one bowl. Add dill, salt, pepper and onion powder and set aside.

2. Beat eggs in second bowl. Add flour and melted margarine. Pour egg mixture into cheese mixture. Stir until evenly blended. Pour into high-sided greased casserole. Bake in 350°F (180°C) oven 1 hour. Serve immediately.

(This recipe was sampled in the home of Lynn Sharon of Jerusalem.)

CLASSIC CHEESE SOUFFLE
4 servings

2 T. butter or margarine
2 T. corn flour or regular flour
1 cup milk
1 cup shredded cheese (Tal ha-emek or cheddar or your favourite)
3 separated eggs
½ t. salt

1. Melt butter or margarine in a saucepan. Stir in flour or corn flour and salt. Add milk and cook on low heat until thick.

2. Blend in cheese, then egg yolks. Set aside. Beat egg whites until stiff. Fold into cheese mixture. Pour into high-sided, greased casserole. Bake in 325°F (170°C) oven 45-50 minutes. Serve immediately.

COTTAGE CHEESE BREAD SOUFFLE
4 servings

4 slices toasted bread (rye is preferable)
butter or margarine
1½ cups cottage cheese.
4 large eggs, separated
1 cup milk
¼ t. dry mustard powder
¼ t. paprika
¼ t. Worcestershire Sauce
½ t. salt
¼ t. white pepper
1 heaping T. chopped scallions
1 T. sherry or vermouth

1. Preheat oven to 350°F (180° C). Grease an oblong baking dish. Spread toast with butter or margarine, cut into cubes and place in baking dish.

2. In blender put cottage cheese, egg yolks, milk, mustard powder, paprika, Worcestershire Sauce, salt, pepper, scallions and sherry or vermouth. Blend and set aside.

3. Beat egg whites until stiff. Fold cheese mixture into whites. Pour over bread. Bake 45 minutes.

(This recipe was sampled in the home of Bonnie Nettler of Jerusalem.)

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HABIMAH is offering a free bonus to ticket-holders for plays in their large hall on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Those arriving at 7.30 will be admitted to readings by Shmuel Atzmon, accompanied by Ronny Lerner at the piano and Benny Kadishzon on drums. Called "Brecht on Brecht," the programme presents selections from his plays with music by Kurt Weill.

Director Omri Nitzan's production of "The Kitchen" opened at Habimah last Thursday after rehearsals since October and a week's training for the cast of 29 at the Tadmor Hotel School. Kitchen sound effects are taped, or live, and the "set" includes real hotel kitchen equipment. The play is unlikely to do much travelling; the commercial scale food mixers used as props each weigh a quarter of a ton.

PETER FRY'S Improvisation Theatre is entering its third year and has chalked up an impressive success with audiences all over the country. The principle of its performances, with a rotating cast of three or four well-known actors and Peter Fry himself in the role of on-stage mediator and director, is that the cast act the initial (scripted) outlines of a story, and from there, the audience provides suggestions on how to continue the plot.

The cast improvises action until Peter Fry intervenes with a cry of "cut" when he thinks fit. Further development comes after consultation *again with the audience*.

Peter Fry's latest improvisation, produced by the Yuval Theatre, is called "Mumu's Profile." The introductory story is as follows:

Mumu, born in 1949 on board the SS Liberty travelling from Morocco to Haifa, was three days old when the State of Israel came into being. But he persisted in saying he was born a year after the State and that he never managed to integrate into the country. During the Six Day War, he was imprisoned in a military jail as a deserter. His elder brother was killed in the liberation of Jerusalem. At the age of 28, he is again arrested — on murder charges. The police are convinced of his guilt. At this point, it is up to the audience to decide what are the circumstances of the unspecified murder and what is to be Mumu's fate.

Singer Michel

ACTRESS Rachel Marcus opens her new one-man show, "Personal Mission," early next month. It will present original material by such writers as Nathan Alterman, A.B. Yehoshua, Simone de Beauvoir, Amos Oz and Lea Goldberg. Director is Shoshana Abigail, with music by Jossi Mar Chaim and Raffi Kadishzon at the piano.

Pending completion of renovations in Beit Lessin's auditorium, performances will be held in the Beit Hamlin hall close by.

THE TEL AVIV Sheraton Hotel claims to have "one of Tel Aviv nightlife's greatest stars." Known simply as Michel, he is performing every night in the hotel's "On the Rocks" cocktail bar. He sings disco, pop and old favourites in six languages, accompanying himself on no less than five instruments — electric piano, organ, drums, a Brazilian percussion instrument and samba whistle.

Born in Turkey, Michel worked at the Istanbul Playboy Club before coming to Israel eight years ago. He has worked in many hotels and night clubs in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and Eilat.

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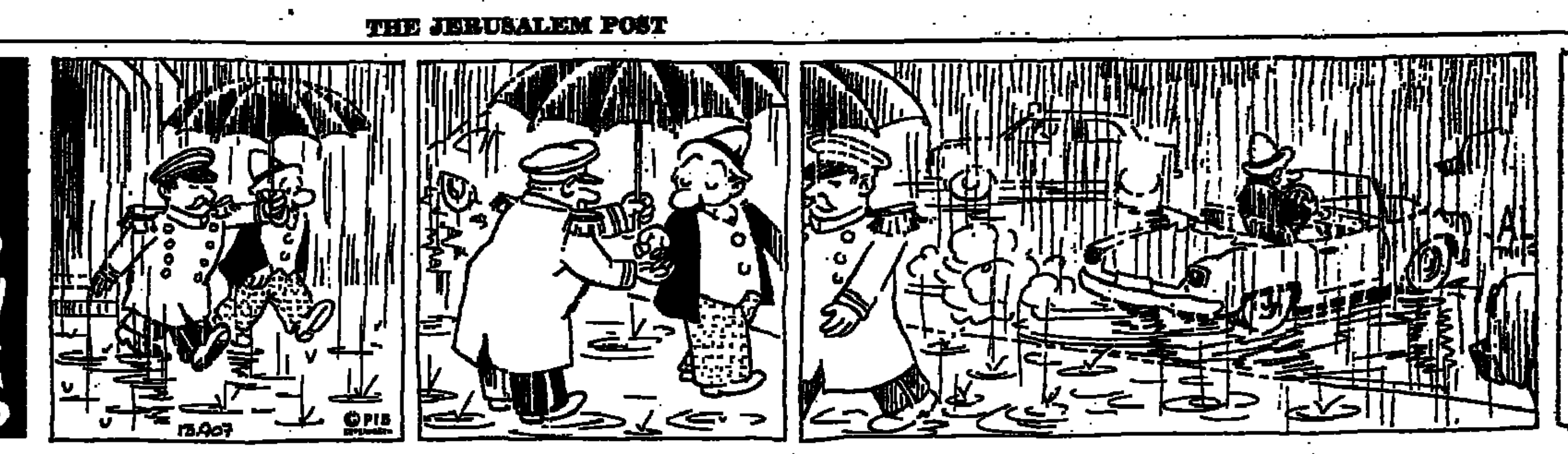

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18.30 News roundup
18.32 Special regards
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20.30 Kolbotek
21.00 Mabat newsreel
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22.30 Kojak: I Was Happy Where I Was
23.10 Behind the Headlines
23.50 News

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RAMAT GAN
Armon: Airport 77 6.15, 9; **Hadar:** Young Lady Chatterley 7.15, 9.30; *Lily: The Young Lions 7, 9.30;* **Oasis:** Annie Hall 4, 7.15, 9.30; **Ordea:** Entertainer at Midnight 4, 7.15, 9.30; **Rama:** The Good, the Bad and the Ugly 7, 9.15, Mon. and Wed. also at 4.30; **Ramat Gan:** The Deep 7, 9.30

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PETAH TIKVA
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NETANYA
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HAIFA 4, 6.45, 9
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10.15 Special Education
10.35 Arabic lesson
10.40 Problems concerning senior citizens
11.35 Demonstration of the Arab violin
12.05 (Stereo): Erika Tannenbaum, soprano: Yonathan Zak, piano — Wolf: Six Lieder; Turina: Poem in the form of a Canzone; Zvi Harel, cello, Marina Bonderenko, piano — Brahms: Sonata No.2 in F Major, Op.99
13.00 Noon concert — Stravinsky: Concert Dances; Khachaturian: Flute Concerto (transcribed from Violin Concerto) (Rampal, Martinon)
14.10 Literary Party — Rivka Rohel talks about the poet and translator Yitzhak Shenhar
15.55 Notes on a new book
16.05 Paganini: Violin Concerto No.3 (Szeryng); Schubert: Sonata No.8 in B-flat Major (Clifford Curzon)
17.20 Music quiz
20.30 (Stereo): Concert — Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra, Yoram David conducting, with Stephen Bishop-Kovakovicz, piano — All-Brahms: Variations on a Theme by Haydn; Alto Rhapsody Piano Concerto No.1 in D Minor
23.00 Radio drama: Le Cousin Pons by Honore de Balzac
00.10 (Stereo): Choral music

Second Programme
12.30 Israeli songs
14.10 Around the world through song
15.05 Sephardi songs
16.10 First Applause — talent show
17.10 Court House
18.19 Weekly magazine on religious life
18.43 Sports commentary
19.00 People and events in the news
19.47 Bible Reading: Jeremiah 21, 22
20.05 "Broadcasting Hour"
21.05 Cantorial music
22.05 Programme on Halacha
22.30 Am Yisrael Hai — Magazine on Jewish communities in Israel and around the world
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Army
6.30 University on the Air — Dr. Yehuda Fried lectures on psychopathology: the science of mental disease
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12.05 Songs, regards
12.45 Fifteen Minutes — a brief survey of current events in Israel and around the world
13.05 Hebrew songs
13.30 "5708" — recordings of the events of 30 years ago
14.05 "Tuesday Afternoon"
16.05 Selections from "High Voltage": gags, humorous sketches with Yehuda Barkan
18.05 Doctors answer listeners' questions on health
18.57 Programme announcements
19.05 Songs for everyone
19.30 "5708" (repeat)
20.05 Progressive rock
20.55 Lesson in spoken Arabic
21.05 Tonight's Star — Talla Dagan
21.30 University on the Air — psychopathology: the science of mental disease
22.05 Tonight — interviews, discussion
00.05 Night Birds — songs, chat with Eli Yisraeli
02.05 An hour of jazz

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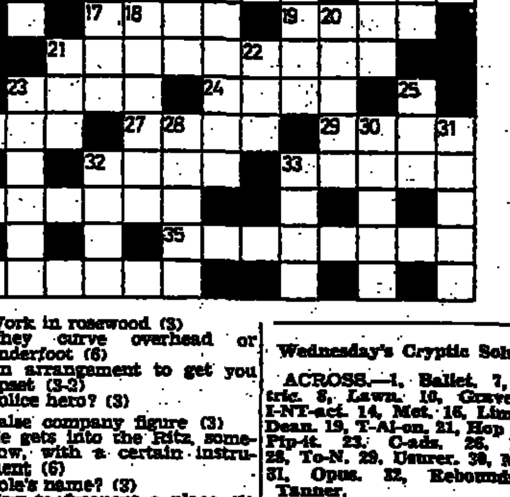
TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Easy puzzle.



CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS
4 Tradesman, novice and all-round athlete (6)
7 Main boat wreck area across the Atlantic (8)
8 Tasty humbug (6)
10 People commonly interested in an ante-chamber (5)
13 Explosive part of a stick, possibly (4)
14 Is this street a short cut? (4)
15 I have a go at a villain (4)
16 Red setter? (3)
17 Rushed to Gateshead and got on the phone (4)
19 Employs us for ultimate purposes (4)
21 Town's slang far from straight (9)
23 What the *copper* needs *to* make some brass (4)
24 Party organiser possibly shot (4)
26 Youngster imitating the captain (3)
27 Naval cover? (4)
29 Ingredient of soup only (4)
32 Felt wrong, in a way (4)
33 Down-to-earth Sam (5)
34 Try to make one's point sink in (6)
35 He has a good look at a former Ugandan monarch (8)
36 One killed, by George! (6)

DOWN
1 Elms I chop up with every appearance of happiness (5)
2 Handles in silence, initially (5)
3 Keep turning a bit nasty (4)
4 Giant, a master to his mate (5)
5 Young essayist? (4)
6 Book going out (6)
9 Affairs that upset our Sam (6)
11 Article in good wood (3)
12 Past name in poetry (5)
13 Where trousers get scorched? (7)
15 Red, maybe, but never quite pink (3)
16 Work in rosewood (3)
18 They curve overhead or underfoot (6)
20 An arrangement to get you upset (3-2)
21 Police hero? (3)
22 False company figure (3)
23 He gets into the Ritz, somehow, with a certain instrument (6)
25 Pole's name? (3)
28 How to frequent a place (5)
30 A pint in a can? (5)
31 Comes close to having pointed ears (5)
32 Breather for the novice gunmaker (4)
33 Not the full amount it sounds (4)

EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS
4 Senseless (6)
7 Not compulsory (8)
8 Medicinal tincture (6)
10 Land measures (5)
13 Joke (4)
14 Speechless (4)
15 Comfort (4)
16 Mingle (3)
17 Incinerate (4)
19 Attack (4)
21 Reproof (9)
23 Froth (4)
24 Job (4)
26 Tree (3)
27 Cowl (4)
29 Weaving-machine (4)
32 Rain hard (4)
33 Brink (5)
34 Bed-covers (6)
35 Broad-minded (8)
36 Gratitude (6)

DOWN
1 Wanderer (5)
2 Tempest (5)
3 Velvety growth (4)
4 Assumed name (5)
5 Plank (4)
6 Rotten (6)
9 Musical dramas (6)
11 Signal to speak (3)
12 Flowed out (5)
13 Caretaker (7)
15 Do wrong (3)
16 Centrally-situated (3)
18 Outcome (6)
20 Foot joint (5)
21 Strange (3)
22 Demented (3)
23 Detective (6)
25 Greedy eater (3)
28 Ejects (5)
30 Musical instrument (5)
31 Dissolves (5)
32 Blueprint (4)
33 Change course (4)

Wednesday's Cryptic Solution

ACROSS.—1, Ballet. 7, Electric. 8, Lawn. 10, Graves. 11, I-NT-act. 14, Met. 16, Limit. 17, Dean. 19, T-Al-on. 21, Hop in. 22, Pip-it. 23, C-ads. 26, Hired. 28, To-N. 29, Usurer. 30, Milton. 31, Opus. 32, Rebounds. 33, Tanner.

DOWN.—1, Bugged. 2, Leaven. 3, Tenz. 4, Scan-t-on. 5, Cream. 6, Sco-TT. 8, La-MA. 9, Wet. 12, Tin. 13, C-I-Ted. 15, Sa-p-id. 18, Elvis. 19, Top. 20, Lit. 21, Hideout. 22, Per. 23, Column. 24, Anis. 25, Singer. 26, Hurry. 27, Rum-BA. 28, Tip. 30, Most.

Wednesday's Easy Solution

ACROSS.—1, Cuddle. 7, Laudable. 8, Saps. 10, Brogue. 11, Minute. 14, Lop. 16, Rotor. 17, Noon. 19, Renew. 21, Saved. 22, Rupee. 23, Etch. 26, Stays. 28, Tar. 29, Tenets. 30, Resume. 31, Hate. 32, Province. 33, Afraid.

DOWN.—1, Carbon. 2, Dragon. 3, Else. 4, Admired. 5, About. 6, Sewer. 8, Solo. 9, Pup. 12, Now. 13, Topic. 15, Revel. 18, Orate. 19, Rap. 20, Nee. 21, Sustain. 22, Rye. 23, Easter. 24, True. 25, Headed. 26, Steps. 27, Annoy. 28, Tea. 30, Rhea.

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLE TOMORROW

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TEL AVIV STOCKS

Financials steady but other sectors are down

TEL AVIV. — With the exception of the financial sector, all segments of the share market traded lower yesterday, as trading volume fell below the IL30m. mark.

After the Exchange had finished trading, Discount Bank released its financial figures. (See story on this page.) The board of directors announced the payment of 15 per cent in cash and recommended a payment in bonus shares in the order of 25 per cent.

While shares were trending lower, the index-linked bond market showed growing losses. In some series these extended to as much as two per cent. The reasons for the recent decline in the prices of index-linked bonds include the continuous uncertainty about possible changes in the linkage and in the tax regulations on linkage differentials.

It also appears that investors are withdrawing funds both from the share market and the index-linked bond market to direct them into foreign currency deposits.

The stability of financial shares was reflected in the unchanged prices of the three most active issues, all commercial bank shares.

Industrials had more than their share of losing issues. Elco IL2.5 was down by almost 6.5 per cent. Argaman slipped by six per cent. Teva (R) was more than 4.5 per cent lower, while Polgat lost four per cent. Chemicals and Phosphates traded countertrend-wise and added nine to 387. Alliance eased by 10 and Paper Mills dropped seven points to 378.

Insurance shares were lower but relative to other sectors the losses were moderate.

Land development and real estate shares were also lower, but by and large the movement was minimal. The one exception was Israel Land Development, which was "sellers only" and was fixed at 261, a recent low.

Investment companies also showed up with small losses. Bank Leumi Investments, however, was hit by profit-taking after the recent run-up following the company's announcement of its very favourable financial results. In active trading of IL250,000 the shares lost 26 points to 533. Paz Investments lost 15 to 320. Ampa, in quiet trading, was set back by 11.5 to 150.

Most Active Issues

I.D.B.	410n.c.	IL500,000
I.D.B. pref. "A"	248n.c.	IL490,000
Bank Leumi	404n.c.	IL410,000
Shares traded:		IL29.2m.
Convertibles:		IL4.3m.
Share index down 1.04%, to 111.31		

		30.1.78	29.1.78
DOLLAR-LINKED DEBENTURES			
5% Dead Sea	b	2150	2146
5% Dead Sea Junior	r	802	802
6% Electric Corp. B.	r	548	558
PURCHASE IN DOLLARS			
Hollis 22		—	—
C. of L. LINKED (principal and interest)			
Absorp. 1966 (1)	b	1035	1035
Absorp. 1967 (1)	b	1014	1014
Bit. 1968 (41)	b	483.5	483.5
Bit 1969 (41)	b	369	369
Bit. 1969 6.5% (68)	b	517.7	523.7
Bit. 1969 6.5% (91)	b	435	443.7
OPTIONALS			
Dev. 296	b	494	496
Dev. 313	b	467	476
Dev. 4% (3001)	b	360.6	363.6
15% Mizrahi (2)	r	338	338
7% Leumi (5)	b	308	308
10% Delek	r	198	206
10% Disc. Inv. (72)	b	284	284
BANKS, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Otsar Hityashvut	r	342	345
I.D.B. pref.	r	769	769
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	410	410
Union "A"	r	775	780
Discount "A"	r	765	770
United Mizrahi	b	296	303
Hapoalim	b	484	484
Leumi "A"	r	404	404
Gen. Mortgage	b	634	636
Dev. & Mortgage	b	386	391
Housing Mortg.	b	342	344
Tefahot 8% pref.	b	512	540
Tefahot	b	515	540
Merav		330.5	344.5
Ind. & Dev. 8% pref.	r	170	172
Aryeh	r	765	780
Hasneh Insurance	b	574	586
Sahar — "C"	b	718	756
Zur		798	840
REAL ESTATE, LAND DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Azorim	r	248	255
Africa Israel IL10	r	948	960
Isr. Land Dev.		261	275
Solel Boneh 10% pref.		357	339
Property & Building		331	332
Isras		305	305
Mehadrin		1000	1006
I.C.P. Citrus	r	503	518
Neot Aviv	r	410	426
Pri Or Ltd.	b	620	650
Rassco - 8% pref.	r	190	199.5
Rassco	r	162	162
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance - B	r	1340	1350
Elco - 2.5	b	290	310
Electra - 5	r	309	325
Argaman - 8%	b	243	243
Ata - C	r	155	163
Dubek	b	708	712
Elec. Wire & Cable	b	162	164
Teva	r	730	785
Chem. & Phosphates	r	387	378
Lewin Epstein		306	306
Moller Textile		205	210
Paper Mills	r	378	385
Assis "B"	r	182	183
Nechustan 8% pref.	b	1130	1240
Elite	r	360	371
Shemen - 8% pref.	b	240	244.5
Frutarom	r	140	142
Polgat	r	361.5	376.5
Elron IL2	r		
INVESTMENT COMPANIES			
Elgar		285	283
Ellern	b	475	480
Israel Central Trade	r	980	995
Hapoalim	b	399	408
Paz	b	320	385
Wolfson - IL10	b	165	170
Ampa	r	150	161.5
Discount	b	442	442
United Mizrahi	b	350	350
Bank Leumi		533	559
Piryon	r	395	395
Hasuta-Foreign Trade		—	—
Export Bank	r	182	203
Clal	r	321	321
Clal Industries		280	250
FUEL, OIL AND UTILITIES			
Naphta OTC	r	1100	1096
Lapidoth OTC	r	1572	1622
Jordan Exploration	r	1000	1045
Jordan Warrants		1795	1900
Delek C	r	388	406
Israel Electric Corp.	r	342	360

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Hour before closing, January 30, 1978

ASA Ltd.	21½	Fair Cam	—	Mobil	60¾
Am Motors	3⅞	Ford	41¾	Monsanto	49¾
Amer. T & T	57½	Gen Dynam	41¼	NCR	40⅝
Atl Rich	46	Gen Foods	29⅛	Occ Pet	21⅛
Avco	17½	Gen Motors	58⅝	Pan Am	5⅛
Avon	45⅛	Gen Tel	25½	Phil Pet	28⅛
Bell How	14⅝	Gen Tire	23⅞	Polaroid	24⅝
Beth St.	23¼	Gillette	25⅛	RCA corp.	—
Boeing	26⅝	Grace	25⅛	Royal Dutch	55⅞
Brist My	32⅛	Gulf West	11	Sears Roe	25
Burroughs	66	Gulf Oil	24⅞	Singer	19⅝
CBS Inc.	46	Honywell	44	Sony	7½
Celanese	39¼	IBM	266	Sperry Rand	34⅝
Chase Man	27⅞	Int Paper	39⅞	Teledyne	66⅞
Chrysler	13	Int. T & T	29¼	Texaco	25⅞
Coca Cola	35⅝	John John	70⅝	Texas Ins	73¾
Con Ed	23½	LTV	6	TWA	11⅛
Crown Zell	32	Litton	14⅝	Twent Cent	24
Curtis Wri	—	Lockheed	13⅝	U.S. Steel	32¼
Dow Chem	—	Macy	35⅝	West Union	16⅝
Dupont	—	Mcdon-Doug	24⅞	Woolworth	15⅛
East KDK	46	Merr Lynch	14¾	Xerox	44½
Exxon	45¼	Minn MM	47	Zenith	13⅝

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Stocks rally in quiet trading

NEW YORK (AP). — The stock market rallied in quiet trading yesterday as the government reported a 1977 U.S. foreign trade deficit that was a bit smaller than some analysts had feared.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials was up nearly eight points half an hour before the close. Gainers held an 8 to 5 advantage over losers among New York Stock Exchange-listed issues.

At mid-afternoon the government reported that U.S. imports exceeded exports by $2.03b. in December, bringing the total deficit for the year to a record $26.72b. But analysts noted that the news had been widely advertised in advance, and that the figures actually came in below advance estimates of about $30b.

HEVRA LENIHUL KRANOT BME'EMANUT B.M.

30.1.78	UNIT PRICE	REDEMPTION PRICE	DAILY CHANGE %
TITAN	347.48	339.03	-0.66
ALMOG	168.22	164.16	-0.65
DIF	266.79	260.36	-1.01
ZABAR	228.93	223.55	-0.61
REZ	376.98	369.57	-0.91

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Finance Minister Simha Ehrlich being presented with a specimen of the first Israel Bond certificate bearing his signature. Sam Rothberg, general chairman of the Bond Organization, clasps Ehrlich in a left-to-right handshake as he gives him the framed certificate.

Israel Bond issues, after receiving government approval, are brought to the Knesset for endorsement and bear the signatures of the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance.

Insurance branch profitable but shows no growth

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The insurance branch was profitable last year, but it didn't grow because the profits didn't keep pace with the rate of inflation, Eitan Avneyon, director of the Hassneh insurance company, told a meeting of insurance officials here yesterday.

Avneyon said that premium income during 1977 came to nearly IL5b. He emphasized that the absence of growth in the branch meant that it was in a decline. The lack of growth in the economy meant that there was nothing new to insure. Also, the high rate of inflation was increasing the incidence of cases of "under-insurance" by customers.

Avneyon called on insurance officials to take positive steps to improve the image of the branch. He closed his address by stating pessimistically that he did not foresee any improvement in the situation of the insurance branch during 1978 bcecause of the continued high rate of inflation.

Uzi Abel, head of the Avner insurance organization in charge of the no-fault compulsory car insurance, said that his company collected about IL50m. in premiums every month. He said that large sums had been collected during the past 16 months, since the law has been in force. On the other hand, Avner had not paid out very large sums, despite the fact that the law demands that victims be paid as soon as possible. The reason for this, he said, was legal red tape. Up to now there are 80 files for compensation of IL1m. or more. Another 700 files are for compensation between IL150,000 and IL1m.

Abel did not believe that after these claims are settled much money would be left in the coffers of Avner. He stressed that it would take at least three years before it could be known if the present insurance rates were too high or too low.

He said he was against the idea of transferring compulsory no-fault insurance to the National Insurance Institute. He said people would then also take out private policies with insurance companies, meaning that the driver would be paying twice the sum he is paying today.

New railway sleeper bars

By YA'ACOV AKDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Israel Railways engineers have developed a new type of concrete sleeper, which is heavier, longer and stronger than the type made here till now under licence from Belgium, general manager Zvi Tsafriri announced recently.

The Standards Institute has approved the technical specifications of the rail sleeper and the Tel Aviv firm of Ashbat, an affiliate of Ashtrom, has won the contract for making it. The new sleepers will be used in the construction of new lines and to replace old sleepers. Wooden sleepers have gone out of use in most countries because of their limited life span.

The sleepers made here according to the Belgian patent are 2.24 metres long, but the new ones will be 36m. longer and weigh 300 kg. 50 per cent more. Another difference is that the new sleeper is made of a single unit of pre-stressed concrete.

technical failure. It amounts to an improvement over the type of sleepers now in use anywhere else," the Railways spokesman said yesterday.

The new sleepers will be mass-produced after the Finance Ministry approves the order. Special manufacturing equipment will be brought from abroad, and the Standards Institute will look after quality control.

Author jailed for income tax evasion

A writer of children's books, Michael Garin of Moshav Udin, was sentenced to three months in jail for income tax evasion by the Tel Aviv District Court.

Garin, who was also fined IL60,000 and given a three-month suspended term, was found guilty of concealing income of IL28,000 during 1973-4.

A IL20,000-fine was imposed on Avraham Barabsi, owner of a Tel Aviv carpet shop, by the local Magistrates Court. He was found guilty of concealing income of IL45,000. He also collected value added tax without transferring it to the Treasury.

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FOREIGN CURRENCY
30.1.78
Yesterday's foreign exchange rates against the Israel pound, for transactions under U.S. $3,000 or equivalent in other currencies.

	Selling	Buying
U.S. $	16.0845	15.9700
Sterling	31.3116	31.0837
Swiss Fr.	8.1071	8.0493
Belgian Fr. (10)	4.9135	4.8785
Swedish Kr.	3.4601	3.4335
French Fr.	3.3947	3.3706
Danish Kr.	2.8063	2.7863
Austrian Sh. (10)	10.6133	10.5377
Dutch Fl.	7.0958	7.0453
DM	7.5886	7.5445
Italian Lire (1000)	18.5251	18.3933
Finnish M.	4.0181	3.9895
Norwegian Kr.	3.1277	3.1054
Canadian $	14.5411	14.4376
Rand	18.5229	18.3910
Australian $	18.3025	18.1722
Yen (1000)	66.7343	66.0736

INTERBANK LONDON SPOT RATES:

U.S. $	1.9473/78	per £
DM	2.1160/75	per $
Swiss Fr.	1.9805/20	per $
Belgian Fr.	32.76/78	per $
Italian Lire	868.30/00	per $
Dutch Fl.	2.2650/75	per $
Yen	241.50/70	per $
French Fr.	4.7360/80	per $
Danish Kr.	5.7485/80	per $
Swedish Kr.	4.6540/50	per $
Norwegian Kr.	5.1425/35	per $
Gold Price	$175.45/5.85	

FORWARD RATES:

	1 Mon.	3 Mon.	6 Mon.
£/$	1.9471/481	1.9485/499	1.9508/519
DM/$	2.1090/115	2.0928/933	2.0675/710
Sw.Fr./$	1.9807/722	1.9485/810	1.9200/230

Agricultural cooperation with Rumania

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A four-man Israeli mission is leaving for Bucharest tomorrow to renew the agricultural cooperation agreement between Israel and Rumania for this year. The group is headed by Ya'acov Sagiv, of the Agriculture Ministry.

The exchange programme which focuses on agricultural technology, was initiated in 1974 during a visit to Jerusalem by the Rumanian Minister of Agriculture, Angelo Miculescu.

Although an industrialized country, Rumania has a large agricultural sector and the two countries benefit by sharing information in such fields as plant genetics, seed production and soil fertilization, said Gideon Tadmor, of the Foreign Ministry's International Cooperation Department, who is a member of the mission.

Each year an average of 25 agronomists and engineers are sent from each country for a period of up to two months.

Zim salvages freighter

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A salvage team of the Zim company headed by Captain Amram Solberg last week refloated the Liberian 15,000-ton freighter Jesnis which ran aground on a coral reef in the straits of Tiran a week ago.

The team is now working on setting free the Taiwanese 10,000 ton-freighter Wealthy Trader which was on her way from Eilat to Ashdod and got caught on a reef in the same area about a fortnight ago. Her master called on Zim for help, and Solberg expects to refloat her in a week.

The Bank of Israel
announces an issue of
Short Term Loan
on Wednesday of this week according to the following terms:

SERIES	ANNUAL INTEREST % GROSS	NET★
3 months	21.0	13.650
6 months	21.5	13.975
12 months	22.0	14.300

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Discount Bank has banner year profits

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Israel Discount Bank yesterday released its annual financial statement for the year ending December 31, 1977. Net after-tax profits soared by 152.4 per cent, to IL256.7m., or IL10.60 a share, a rise of 21.3 per cent.

Consolidated assets totalled IL71.7b. This represented a rise of almost 95 per cent over the preceding year. The bank's capital means rose last year by more than 100 per cent and reached IL1.9b.

Out of the operating profits a final dividend in the gross amount of IL80.9m. has been set aside. This figure represents a full 35 per cent of profits earned and compares favourably with dividend policies practised by New York Stock Exchange firms.

The cash dividend for the whole year represents 30 per cent of the nominal value. The board of directors will recommend the payment of 25 per cent in bonus shares.

At a press conference yesterday Daniel Recanati, the bank's managing director, pointed out that the payment of IL505.3m. in taxes represented a taxation rate of 70 per cent, one of the highest in the world.

The bank opened six new branches and service counters in the past year. Including seven overseas branches, the total number of offices now stands at 169. The number of branches of the entire group stands at 230.

The bank's overseas activities progressed satisfactorily in the year under review. In Montevideo, Uruguay, the bank established a daughter company named Discount Bank (Latin America) S.A., which will serve as the focal point for the bank's South American activities.

The bank's work force grew by about 12.5 per cent and reached 5,140 persons.

In an effort to improve customer service the bank is about to install caspomats. The caspomat will be connected to a computer on an "on-line" basis and will be able to make cash payments. The device will also handle withdrawals, clarity balances, accept checks for deposit and arrange for money transfers. It will operate 24 hours a day on a do-it-yourself basis.

Plant for the disposal of dangerous wastes to be set up

By ZVI ARENSTEIN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — A 100-dunam plot of land at the new Ramat Hovav industrial area, about 12 km. south of here, was chosen yesterday as the site for the country's first hazardous waste material disposal facility. The decision was made by the Interior Ministry's district commission in conjunction with the Ministry of Health.

A Health Ministry official said here yesterday that an inter-ministerial committee is presently working on plans for the treatment plant. The plant will handle hazardous waste materials such as mercury, chrome, vanadium, pesticides and pesticide packaging, from industrial plants all over the country. Most plants currently dispose of these wastes in haphazard fashion — sometimes leaving them sitting in store houses and sometimes dumping them outside their factory grounds.

The Ramat Hovav site was chosen because of its remoteness from population centres and because suitable transportation facilities, including a rail line, have already been built.

The Health Ministry official would not predict when the facility might start operation. He expressed the hope that the project would advance quickly, because Beersheba's chemical plants have already started operations at Ramat Hovav.

The plant will be modelled after successful operations in the U.S. and Switzerland. Wastes there are divided into seven categories and given individual treatment according to their composition. In the U.S. some plants are run on a private basis, with industry paying by the ton for the safe disposal of its wastes.

The health officials said that it has not yet been decided whether the new plant will be a public or a private venture, but he said that the Industry and Commerce Ministry will probably be responsible for its establishment.

Israel approves German charter flights via Cairo

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Israel Civil Aviation Authority has approved charter flights to Ben-Gurion Airport from Berlin via Cairo, *The Jerusalem Post* has learned. If the Egyptians agree, the first flight will be on February 23.

The authority agreed to a request from the Unger company of Germany to fly five flights according to the following plan: Berlin to Cairo, three days in Egypt, three days in Israel, then back to Berlin. Unger will use Aero America, a U.S. airline flying Boeing 707s.

Charter flights do not require landing rights agreement between the countries concerned. In recent years, cruise ships have visited Haifa after, first stopping over in Alexandria. Before the Lebanese civil war they used to continue on to Beirut.

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Downgrading New York

ONE DIVIDEND of the current peace effort, little appreciated *so far, is the brightening of Israel's prospects of winning back* its recognized status in the international arena, including the United Nations.

No dramatic development in this direction need be expected in the very near future. Countries that severed relations with Israel will not be in any great hurry to re-establish ties, nor will the next session of the General Assembly rush to throw into the garbage heap of history its fat collection of texts denouncing Israel.

But — so long as the effort continues, and shows promise — a change will inevitably come about. It will be resisted, of course. The Arab "rejectionist" states will surely try to switch on the old anti-Israel steamroller, now with the added intention of embarrassing Egypt. For her part, Egypt may not be above resorting to at least the threat of cooperation with her Arab foes as a means of pressing Israel.

It would, however, be very surprising if the same automatic majorities could again be mustered in support of the perennial campaign of malice and hostility towards the Jewish State. A more rational mood should start to prevail in the counsels of the nations, and Israel's message will again have a chance of being heard.

In short, new vistas would seem to be opening up for Israel's multilateral diplomacy. And with all the scepticism, even revulsion, that the UN has especially of late aroused among Israelis, the order of the day should be a reinvigoration of the country's mission to the United Nations.

What has been happening is the precise opposite. After sending an oversized delegation of non-professionals to the General Assembly's last session, the Foreign Ministry has decided to cut the UN mission almost literally to the bone. This process has now been capped with the choice of Prof. Yehuda Blum as the permanent representative to succeed Ambassador Chaim Herzog.

Although the appointment was formally an act of Mr. Dayan, it is understood to have been prompted by Premier Begin himself. The Foreign Minister, like some soldier-diplomats before him, looks on the UN as a mere necessary nuisance in the best of circumstances. He, it seems, could not care less who got *the less than glittering prize. Not so Premier Begin.*

To Mr. Begin, the associate professor of international law at the Hebrew University is not merely a respected teacher, writer and practitioner, but an authority of the first rank. In the past, it appears, Prof. Blum provided a great deal of the legal justification for Mr. Begin's political theory.

Apropos of Jordan, for example, Prof. Blum worked out the argument that the Hashemite Kingdom could show no reversionary title to Judea and Samaria; and in regard to the Palestinian Arabs, that they lacked the attributes of peoplehood.

Scholarly acceptance of these legal claims at home has been far from general, and abroad scant indeed.

A one-time assistant legal adviser to the Foreign Ministry, Prof. Blum will no doubt put up the finest defence possible for the Likud administration's new policies, which offer Jordan ac*tive participation in self-rule for the West Bank, and at the same* time acknowledge the existence of "two peoples" in Eretz Yisrael.

There's the rub, though: a legal defender, however outstanding, is not the country's most pressing need in the world arena today. What is needed is a public figure, or a professional diplomat, who will combine the skills of persuasion and negotiation with the public relations talents necessary for success in the media centre which is New York.

Each and every one of Israel's UN ambassadors to date has, in greater or smaller measure, filled the bill. There is, regrettably, little reason to expect that Prof. Blum will too, except perhaps through training on the job.

Without intending to do so, Premier Begin has downgraded the post of UN permanent representative, and at a most inopportune time.

Disappointed expectations

DOV RAPPEL examines the failure of the Orthodox establishment in Israel in its struggle with the Conservative movement.

ORTHODOX JEWRY in the United States is carrying on a fierce struggle against Conservative Jewry. The reason is understandable: Orthodoxy's base is a Sabbath-observing community. In America, Sabbath observance involves considerable sacrifices in cash and convenience. In addition, there are the considerable investments of cash and organizational effort in the construction of *mikvaot*, in the maintenance of a *kashrut* network, and so on.

All this effort and sacrifice is optional in the Conservative community. True, there are quite a few Conservative Jews who strictly observe *kashrut*, the Sabbath and family-life laws. However, the standing of a person as a member of a Conservative congregation is not affected in the least if he or she does not observe any of these.

This is perhaps the main difference between these two streams of American Judaism — the difference between what has been called the "civil religion" of the community and the individual's standing in the community. Orthodox congregations, too, have members who violate the religious laws. But they all admit, that this is not the way for a nominally Orthodox Jew to behave. They say that they work on Shabbat because of economic need, eat forbidden foods, because of social pressure, and neglect the family-life laws because of cultural pressure — not because they reject these observances in principle. It requires great inner strength to withstand all these pressures, especially when you do not live in a large and relatively closed Orthodox community like that of New York's Boro Park, but in a very mixed community or in a town with few Jews.

The "war" that the American Orthodox leadership is waging against the Conservative movement is intended to emphasize disapproval of surrender to the pressures to *which Orthodox Jews, too, are exposed.*

IN THE past decade, with the increase of aliya from America, Conservative congregations — calling themselves "Traditional" (*masorti*) — have begun to spring up in Israel. As these congregations began to consolidate themselves, the war between the religious streams in the U.S. was carried over to this country.

It seems to me that this war is based on a fundamental ideological misconception. In the U.S., Conservative Jews, unlike the Reform Jews, do not in principle reject the observance of the Shabbat, *kashrut*, or family-life laws; they just do not generally abide by them. In Israel, on the other hand, those pressures do not exist. Here one can rise to the top in practically every economic, scientific, scholarly and social sphere without violating the Shabbat. Kashrut, too, is no problem, and there is a *mikveh* wherever there is a concentration of observant Jews. And since everyone has a synagogue within short walking distance, the question of riding to synagogue on Shabbat does not arise.

In other words, there is little difference in the life-styles of Orthodox and Traditional Jews here, and the excuse of economic, social and cultural pressures does not apply.

Nevertheless, the war rages here, too. But organized Orthodoxy is not asking itself whether it is doing everything possible to persuade Conservative olim and like-minded Israelis of the rightness of the Orthodox approach. I shall limit myself to two areas: the rabbinate *and the synagogue.*

FROM THE RELIGIOUS standpoint, the Conservative rabbinate is its weakest limb. The overwhelming majority of Conservative rabbis, when asked if they believe in the existence of God — in any sense of the term "existence" — will give some *evasive answer like, God is an ideal.* He is the symbol of perfection. He is the spirit of Judaism.

Many people in the Traditional congregations here are searching for the truly traditional faith. One would think that Orthodox rabbis would be able to guide them in this direction. Unfortunately, however, most Orthodox rabbis in Israel have no common language with these people. The average Orthodox rabbi here knows how to teach the rules to those who are already fully committed to Orthodoxy. But he does not know how to inculcate his faith in those who are sincerely seeking it, let alone those who are hostile to it.

More than that. Olim from Western countries who wish to strengthen their Jewish identity expect their rabbis to have a broad Jewish education and a Jewish-religious approach to the problems of modern Man; and to be a model of religious-ethical conduct. Too often, *they are disappointed. They very* soon discover that the average Orthodox rabbi here is not only unable to answer questions about the Hebrew language and Jewish history, but does not even know very much about such purely "religious" matters as Bible, religious philosophy, the meaning of the prayers, and Kabbala.

The average Orthodox rabbi here is also incapable of giving a religious interpretation to problems of modern life. Everybody knows, for example, that when you buy something in instalments, you pay more than if you buy it for cash. But *the rabbis I am speaking of don't* know whether the additional payment constitutes interest, which involves a possible violation of five laws of the Tora, or whether it constitutes an insurance premium on the balance. Even more serious is their inability to answer questions concerning family-life problems.

THE SAME applies to the area of religious-ethical conduct. Nobody expects the average rabbi to be a consummate peacemaker like Aaron, a model of humility like Hillel, or a paragon of truthfulness like the Hafetz Hayim. But one is entitled to expect every rabbi to set an example in helping the poor, visiting the sick, trying to make peace among quarrelling neighbours, and *the like. This expectation is generally* not met.

(During the Yom Kippur War, I was often in the Ichilov Hospital in Tel Aviv; the only rabbi I met there regularly was Rabbi Yisrael Lau, of North Tel Aviv, who — as patients pointed out — is very different from the usual run of Israel rabbis.)

The encounter with the average Orthodox synagogue in Israel is no less disappointing. Orthodox Jews regard the Conservative prayer service as something grotesque. But they do not realize that the service in the average Orthodox synagogue is a travesty of the Divine service.

I once tried to rate the synagogues *with which I am familiar according* to the following criteria: cleanliness and physical arrangements generally; organization; the dignified pace of the service; and the congregation's concentration on the service.

The best synagogues, according to these criteria, were the handful of Western European-style synagogues like Yeshurun in Jerusalem and Ihud Shivat Tzion in Tel Aviv. Next came the Sephardi synagogues. In last place were the synagogues of the Jews of Eastern Europe — from the *shtiblach* of Mea She'arim to the large "central" synagogues of the cities and towns.

People who have grown up in synagogues of the latter type perhaps are not conscious of their physical and spiritual shortcomings. But those coming to them in search of a richer Judaism are repelled at the threshold.

ISRAEL'S *Orthodox establishment* is not capable of doing much to win Conservative Jews over to the Orthodox way of life and world outlook. Instead, it has handed them a priceless gift: it has unwittingly bestowed on them the crown of a martyrdom. The same methods that proved ineffective in the Orthodox establishment's wars against Hassidism, the *Haskalah* (Enlightenment), Zionism, and even the Sabbetai Zvi and Frankist movements, are now being applied against the Conservatives, and with the same prospects of success.

But the certainty of failure is not *the main shortcoming of this tactic.* On the contrary: if it had any chance of succeeding, it would constitute a far greater danger to our public life. For the logical conclusion would be that a war of threats and excommunications and similar undemocratic methods is a fair and effective approach to the matter.

And if that were so, why should these same means not one day be used against the Orthodoxy that first sanctioned them?

This boomerang effect could have grave *consequences* within Israel, within Diaspora Jewry, and in the relations between Jews and gentiles.

In Israel: We know of foremen threatening to fire workers who choose to send their children to religious schools. Religious Jews rightly object to this. But how can people protest against this who themselves wish to deny *kashrut* certification to institutions ready to rent their premises to Conservative congregations?

In the Diaspora: Whereas in Israel the Orthodox establishment is more powerful than the Conservative community, in the U.S. Conservatism is better organized and richer than Orthodoxy. What will happen if Conservatism there starts subj[illegible]ting Orthodoxy to the same tre[illegible]ment that Orthodoxy is applying [illegible] Conservatism here?

In gentile-Jewish relations: W[illegible] will those who harass Conservat[illegible] Jews say if Western governme[illegible] should start treating Orthodox Je[illegible] in the same way, and instead of [illegible]commodating them start haras[illegible] them with the aim of maki[illegible] Orthodoxy unviable?

And everyone is entitled to ask such is the public-democra[illegible] character of Israeli Orthodoxy wh[illegible] it has only a little power, what wil[illegible] be like when it gains full control?

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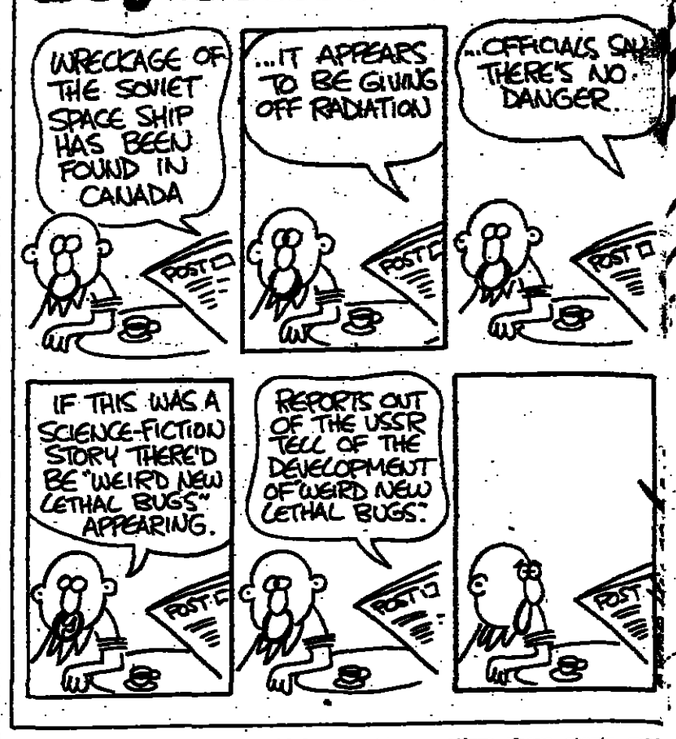

READERS' LETTERS

THE DISADVANTAGES OF SOYMILK

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I wish to take exception to statements made by Itka Zelda Bransome (January 8) on the relative merits of soymilk.

"Soymilk can be used as a complete and effective substitute for dairy or human milk." No maker of infant formulas would make this statement. The nearest advertise*ment to such a claim is "most like* mother's milk." Research is constantly discovering new components of human milk. All would agree that there are undoubtedly more as yet undiscovered. Of those already known, many cannot be synthetically duplicated; the inclusion of others would involve a complex chain of alterations in the quantities of other components of the already-existing formula.

Even dairy milk is neither complete nor effective as a substitute for human milk. Infants fed formulas and later straight cows' milk must be given solids early to compensate for deficiencies.

Mrs. Bransome also failed to point out the nutritional deficiencies of soymilk. It is inadequate in calcium; two essential amino acids (elements of protein), methionine and cystine; iodine (resulting in goiter in *soymilk-fed children*); and vitamin B1 (deaths of this cause have been reported in infants given soymilk formulas).

To be sure, the older child and adult can compensate for the shortcomings of soymilk in their solid diet; but for the infant whose diet is and should be milk, certainly the milk of choice is not soymilk, but human milk.

ROSE-MARIE HADDAD

Central Sharon.

TELEPHONES: SUPPLY AND DEMAND

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I disagree with Klas Ringskog who states in his letter about the waiting time for new telephones (January 20): "All the authorities have to do is raise the connection fee for new telephones to a level which will balance demand and supply." He claims this would *"do away altogether with the* waiting lists for new telephones."

Perhaps it would. But what sort of a remedy is this? Mr. Ringskog is suggesting that the connection fee *should be raised to such a level that* only the more affluent people would be able to get telephones and others who need them just as much, but cannot afford to pay exorbitant fees, would have to do without one.

This would be contrary to the public service commitments of the Ministry of Communications to serve the general public, not just the wealthier segment.

AMOS FEINSTEIN

Haifa.

THE ACLU

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I must take *exception to* Ruth Ariella Broyde's description of the American Civil Liberties Union as an organization "which protects the rights of all minority groups in America" ("How Archie Bunker was created" — January 20).

Perhaps she could explain exactly how the ACLU was protecting the *rights of Jews when their legal staff* recently went to court in support of the American Nazi Party's request to hold a full-dress parade and demonstration in a Jewish suburb of Chicago? The court ruled that the city's refusal to issue the Nazis a permit to demonstrate was legal and, as a result, there was no parade — *no thanks to the ACLU.*

The move by the ACLU was followed by a mass resignation of Jewish members; evidently Norman Lear was not among them.

SHELDON HAMBURGER

Herzliya.

RECKLESS BUILDERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — *With reference to the tragic* death of two young boys in Kiryat Hayovel in Jerusalem, I hope the authorities will throw the book at the builder and give him a stiff sentence for his neglect. This tragedy could have been prevented, had the builder put up a fence around the ditch or filled it up. Where are the building *inspectors and the police to see to it* that such accidents should not occur?

Builders in Israel are reckless and have no sense of responsibility and no regard for the safety of pedestrians. The best example is the construction work at Dizengoff Circle in Tel Aviv, where no safe *passage-ways have been provided* for pedestrians.

MARK LINKER

Tel Aviv.

NO MANDATE TO NEGOTIATE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As soon as President Sadat started his surprising and most welcome peace initiative, the proclaimed "sole representatives" of the Palestine people officially set up a violent conspiracy with Syria, Libya and others against this attempt to bring peace to the area. *To make their intentions clear, high* PLO officials immediately threatened to assassinate the initiator of this "imperialist plot." The menace was quickly supported by the murder of one of their own agents who, some time ago, had dared to talk with Israelis on the possibility of a solution to the problem of Palestinian homelessness.

Nevertheless, the Egyptians continue to put the settlement of the Palestinian question among their main conditions for peace.

Together with our American friends, we ourselves feel obliged to react seriously to the Egyptian proposals, in spite of the fact that the Egyptians not only have no mandate to deal with this problem, but have clearly been warned by the rejection front that, whatever the results they may obtain, these would be emphatically rejected.

It may well be true that the Palestinian question is one of the *central problems of Middle East* pacification. However, as long as there is nobody with a mandate of the interested parties themselves to speak on their behalf, offering compromises — such as "autonomy" — is a dangerous game which will reduce hopes for satisfactory results. At the same time, it will put brakes on negotiations which deal with realistically negotiable matters.

H.A. CIDOR

Jerusalem.

PENFRIENDS

GUNTER GLAUKE (33), of Bayernring 19 D, D-1000 Berlin 42, Germany, would like to correspond with a young Israeli woman. His hobbies are music and stamps.

SHEELA JUGNAUTH (18), of 14 Jacarandas Avenue, Quatre-Bornes, Mauritius, would like to have young penfriends in Israel, preferably people living on a kibbutz. Her hobbies are classical music, reading, swimming and badminton.

POSTSCRIPTS

WORDSWORTH'S words are certainly worth a lot of money nowadays. A collection of the poet's letters and poems, including a bundle of 35 love-letters to his wife, was sold at Sotheby's last summer for £88,000. The purchaser was Cornell University.

The Wordsworth family, however, claim the collection belongs to them and the Dove Cottage Trust (a Wordsworth society housed in the poet's home in the Lake District). Cornell, Ofns reports, has offered to resell the manuscripts to the Trust which has to find almost £40,000 plus an equal sum to meet the cost of renovations in progress at Dove Cottage. The hundreds of thousands of Wordsworth-loving pilgrims to the poet's *Grasmere home* apparently caused serious structural problems and a barn behind the cottage has to be converted into a museum by September.

A fund-raising campaign has been launched which will include poetry readings as well as a pop concert during Wordsworth Week from February 13 to 18. The trustees are also asking any people who have autographed letters or other saleable material to send them to Dove Cottage, Grasmere, Cumbria, England or the Wordsworth Heritage, P.O. Box 214, Lamesa, Texas 79331, USA.

The appeal director says that life is not a bed of daffodils at the moment. We only hope that funds will come rolling in, trailing clouds of glory to reinforce the poet's intimations of immortality.

IF YOU CAN learn a foreign language by listening to specially prepared tapes, why not learn to pray by the same method?

Brandeis University's Hillel Foundation has come up with this simple idea and its Egalitarian Service, directed by Rabbi Albert Axelrad, has now issued two sets of cassettes.

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The second cassette is designed to teach the layman how to lead a service and is called *Davening Tapes*.

(It was when we were about to translate the word *davening* — an act with which we have been familiar since early childhood — that we realized we had no idea as to its derivation. We appealed for help to some learned friends who told us that *daven* is the Yiddish for "pray," but that its origins are obscure. Some believe that it derives from the Latin *divinus*; others suggest the Arabic *da'weh* or even the English "dawn." The most likely derivation, they say, is from the Aramaic *de'uvhanon*, meaning "of our fathers".)

Those interested (and would it be heresy to suggest that both tapes would be useful to non-religious *members of the foreign service* assigned to posts where there are Jewish communities?) should contact the Office of the Chaplaincy, Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass. 02154, USA.

F.D.

A LOCAL tourist agency, it is *reported, is already negotiating with* an Egyptian company to arrange trips to Egypt in the not-too-distant future. But a reader who last year went on a round-the-world trip with the same firm hopes that more attention will be paid to religious requirements than happened in his case.

The group in which he travelled had found itself in the Philippines on Rosh Hashana. He asked the Israeli escort, described as an experienced Far Eastern hand, where he could attend a synagogue service. The escort replied that no arrangements had been made for such a requirement.

Our reader tried to find a synagogue on his own, but was unsuccessful and says that for the first time in his life he had not been able to go to synagogue on the New Year. Everywhere else he had ever been at the High Holy Day period he had received the utmost consideration and help by non-Jewish tourist agencies.

On his return to Tel Aviv, our reader complained to an executive of the tourist agency, only to be told that it was his own fault — he should have told them before he joined the tour that he would be requiring a special arrangement.

M.G.

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